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God's Challenge For 1945

By Rev. Jewell Wood

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Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life. I Timothy 6:12.

Our lives today are no longer calm and placid. The customary channels of habit and thought are blocked. Turbulence and confusion reign. These are the moments when we are paralyzed by fear, overwhelmed by anger, bowed down in grief, maddened with hate and malice, deadened by despair.

Let us look over the vast plain of humanity, to observe its groups shifting and traversing like spirits in a city of the dead. Exhibiting the mighty fields of the world on the forces of evil. So great is the amount of evil, both moral and physical in the great community of men; so vast the number sunk in barbarism, compared with the few that represent Christ. The cries of unpitied wretchedness, that with every beat of the pendulum wonder unnoticed. So dense the crowds that are thrust together in the deepest recesses of want, and that crowd that crowds through the loathsome hives of sin.

Yet, amidst this period of storm and stress, the individual and the world



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may emerge, as it were into a new world. Man's mode of life transformed, his standards and sanctions set anew, his perspective readjusted, and his vision clarified.

This change can only be accomplished when the church, and the Christians set forth on a mission to carry the cross and the gospel to all the world. Resolve to live for Christ

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Hospital Campaign Fund Totals \$286,000

Actual Operations Started

Cash and pledges to the Baptist Hospital Campaign total \$307,975, according to a statement issued by D. C. Simmons, president of the Mississippi Baptist Hospital Board of Trustees. Total cash amounts to \$280,015.80, bonds \$5,985, and personal and church pledges to \$21,975. He also said, "Actual operations have been started looking toward the construction of our new building."

The statement of Mr. Simmons follows:

"We greatly appreciate the fact that Mississippi Baptists and their many friends are interested in the ministry of the Mississippi Baptist Hospital to the sick, suffering, injured, dying and recovering."

"First, we desire to report on the present status of the hospital enlargement campaign. A recent compilation of figures show that we have \$280,015.80 cash in hand. In addition, we have in hand \$5,985.00 in bonds. This makes a grand cash total in the amount of \$286,000.80. We have personal and church pledges due in the amount of \$21,975.50. We hope the payments of these pledges and receipts from the Cooperative Program will bring the above cash total to an amount that will make it possible for us to complete our building plans. We will need every dollar from every available

source to build properly and equip this plant that babies, boys and girls, men and women may be cared for in larger numbers. It is the very ministry of Christ. Matthew 4:24.

"Second, we are happy to be able to state that actual operations have been started looking toward the construction of our new building. The large old frame building occupying a portion of the site of the new building is being razed. As soon as acceptable bids are received, we hope to begin operations on the new building itself.

"Third, I must thank most heartily the many individuals and groups making this enlarged ministry possible. They include Mississippi Baptists and friends throughout Mississippi and beyond; other public-spirited individuals of Jackson and vicinity; the Mississippi Baptist Convention; the Convention Board and Executive Committee in letting us have Dr. D. A. McCall to direct the campaign, and his fine office helpers; Mr. E. D. Kenna, director of the Jackson campaign; Pastors James L. Sullivan, S. E. Sumrall, C. J. Olander, J. R. Reedy, C. Z. Holland, J. B. Ray as district directors; county and church directors; the W. M. U. for their memorial contribution; all pastors and churches; The Baptist Record; department heads; radios; newspapers; Dixie Advertising Company, and, last but not least, our very fine

The Spiritual Outlook In Germany

By the Rev. Martin Niemoeller
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Editor's Note: We present here-with an exclusive article by Pastor Niemoeller, who appears to repudiate Nazism completely. We believe this article is especially significant in view of the impression created by reports of his recent press interviews in Naples.

Naples—(By Wireless)—If it is difficult at present to see into the innermost heart of our German people, it will be most difficult of all to reach even a probable conclusion of how this mental condition will influence the total spiritual life of central Europe.

Interpretations already attempted give evidence of the difficulties of planning some sort of just consideration as long as war-stirred feelings are not calmed down to a normal state of mind. Therefore, I feel it my duty to contribute some of my thoughts, which may help at least a few Christian people to understand how we Christian Germans see these things. In so doing, I cannot but include myself personally and without restraint in its misfortune and guilt, as well as with the fate and destiny of my nation, of which I have been and felt myself a member through all the long

years of my imprisonment under the Hitler regime.

Clearly I must speak of my thoughts only, inasmuch as my own experiences are few and the news during the long years of seclusion is far from complete; but perhaps the walls and (Continued on Page Five)

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LEADERS POOL BSU PLANS

At a meeting of college pastors, presidents, BSU secretaries and student representatives held in the First church in Jackson, June 29, plans for future work of the BSU were made and tried ideas were pooled for the purpose of making Mississippi's student work among Baptists more vital and effective. The meeting was directed by Rev. Riley Munday, state B. S. U. secretary.

Rev. Chester Moulder, BSU secretary from Mississippi Southern, gave the morning devotional. Plans and ideas were proposed that will prove invaluable to BSU work, during the morning session.

Rev. Benny Loyd, associate pastor and BSU secretary of Mississippi College had charge of the afternoon devotional. Editor Goodrich spoke on "Making the Student Baptist Conscious, and the Baptists Student Conscious Through The Baptist Record." (Continued on Page Eight)

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Southern Baptists Face Great Building Program

W. A. Harrell, Secretary
Department of Church Architecture
Baptist Sunday School Board
Southern Baptist Convention

Southern Baptists are facing perhaps the greatest building expansion program in the history of the Convention. It is easy to estimate that Southern Baptists will double the space offered in their buildings during the first ten or twelve years following the war. Perhaps more than one-half of our churches are now planning to erect either a complete building, educational building, auditorium, or other extensive remodeling and enlargement.

It is a serious time in the life of our churches. These new buildings will largely determine the program of our churches for the next century. Church buildings planned now should provide equipment for everything that should be in the church program for decades to come.

Every effort should be made to avoid oppressive debts. Many churches have raised large sums of money for building funds. Other churches have only been able to pay their debts. In every case, the churches should create a building fund of considerable size before undertaking an expansive program. It

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Sparks & Splinters-

Mt. Zion church, Pike county, went from half-time to full-time beginning April first. Rev. F. L. Coker became pastor in February. We have a good Sunday school, Training Union and mid-week prayer service. We expect to have Sunday school rooms completed by fall. Rev. J. C. Pinson of Osyka will preach during our revival, which begins July 22.—Mrs. Carroll O'Quinn, reporter.

Holcomb: Upon the arrival of the pastor and his wife, the good people of the church filled the pantry to overflowing. The VBS will begin the first week in July with Rev. Burton McGee as helper. The pastor will preach during the revival the second week in July.—L. O. Deweese, pastor.

Church Clerk H. A. Robinson reports that Rev. W. T. Miller has resigned as pastor of the Handsboro church, effective July 31. During the four-year pastorate of Brother Miller the church has grown from a mission point to a full-time church. There have been more than 100 additions and the contributions for 1944 amounted to \$4,000. Other improvements have been the installation of gas heat, a new roof, new pews, piano, lighting system, song books, building painted and grounds beautified. Plans are under way for a \$5,000 Sunday school annex. Our Sunday school is a Standard school. Pastor Miller will move to Clarke College the first of August.

Miss Giovanna Arbanasich of the W. M. U. Training school class of 1941, has written about Italian relief. Excerpts from her letter follow: "We lack so many things—clothing, shoes, medicine—notwithstanding that several cargoes of such necessities have arrived here and there from the Allies and especially from America. The Italian authorities, in distributing these supplies, resorted to the collaboration of the Catholic clergy and especially the parish priests, who of course, have considered their own followers..... Of us, Protestants, nobody cares and nobody at present is even thinking of us. Give us whatever you can—old overcoats, old shoes, old garments, anything you have."

Missionary Chas. A. Leonard, Sr., writes from the Island of Kauai, Hawaii: "We gave a whole Sunday to the Evangelistic Crusade. I presented the whole program with every point on a blackboard. The folks were much interested and voted unanimously to enter wholeheartedly into the Crusade. It is our plan to win five times as many this year as the minimum. Seven were baptized recently and others are awaiting baptism."

Westminster, Mr.—(RNS)—A resolution opposing maintenance by the President of the United States of a personal representative at the Vatican, was adopted by the Baltimore conference of the Methodist church at its concluding session here. The resolution declared that the traditional policy of the United States has been separation of church and state, and since the war in Europe had been concluded the reason advanced by the late President Roosevelt for maintaining a representative had ceased to exist.

The Longtown Baptist Church just closed a very spiritual revival meeting. Attendance was good, singing good and there were six additions to the church, five by baptism. J. W. Sturdivant of Merigold did the preaching. This church is without a pastor and offers a good field for some good man who lives in south Mississippi.



On Sunday afternoon, May 27, at their home in Hattiesburg, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. (Fred) Eure celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary. Their sons and daughter (Chaplain Otho Eure, Otis P. Eure and Mrs. Joseph L. Frost) complimented them on the occasion by holding open house at their home, 412 Mabel street. The Eures have lived at this address for 47 years. About 250 guests called during the afternoon.

Sending his annual renewal Dr. Zeno Wall, former Mississippi pastor, and now pastor of First Baptist Church, Shelby, North Carolina, writes: "As the circulation of *The Baptist Record* has increased the interest and progress of our people in the Old Magnolia State has increased in the same ratio. Your people, it seems to me, are more united and progressive than I have known; and this unity and progress is due, in a large measure, to the wide circulation and reading of your valuable paper. Keep up the glorious work! Our work goes well: large congregations wait upon the ministry of the Word and the baptismal waters are troubled from Sunday to Sunday. Last Sunday we baptized ten and tomorrow night (Sunday) we are to baptize 18 more. Rejoice with us, and come to see us!"

"*The School of Prayer*" by Olive Wyon is a practical and inspirational book on prayer and is addressed to real people—to those who seriously try to pray, and who are wholehearted and selfless in their search for guidance. This timely book will lead many to a better understanding of the value of prayer in constructive faith and conduct in today's world of destruction as well as in tomorrow's world of reconstruction. The author is an Englishwoman who studied theology at King's College, London, as well as in Edinburgh and at Selby Oak. Published by the Westminster Press, Philadelphia 7, Pa., at \$2. Order from the publisher or from the Baptist Book Store.

The church at Phalti, in Jefferson Davis county, gave us an encouraging reception last week when we moved on the field. They greeted us with a pantry shower, ad have already raised the pastor's salary! The fervent spirit of the people, and the active full-time program which we found in progress, make it a challenging field in the Master's cause.—James K. Moore, pastor.

London—(By Wireless to RNS)—A proposal that Church of England spend up to a million dollars annually for an educational program and publicity campaign to "convert England to the Christian faith" was submitted to the Church Assembly by the Commission on Evangelism appointed in 1943 by the archbishops of Canterbury and York. Action on the report was deferred by the assembly until its fall sessions.

Toronto, Ont.—(RNS)—Raising funds through bingo games and "other forms of gambling," by religious groups and service clubs, was condemned by the Baptist Convention of Ontario and Quebec at its annual meeting here.

"Pastoral Work" by Andrew W. Blackwood, professor of homiletics, Princeton Seminary, is one of the best to come from his pen. Here is discussed in plain, practical manner, a phase of the ministry that many pastors fall short in. This book will challenge every minister who reads it. The book reveals the importance of the pastoral ministry and presents practical plans for doing the work. Beginning with a chapter on the need for this work, he discusses the first days on a new field, plans for a continuous visitation ministry. The 29 chapters cover almost every phase of the work. This book is recommended to every Baptist preacher for it should challenge all to a greater ministry. Published by the Westminster Press, Philadelphia 7, Pa., at \$2. Order from the publisher or from the Baptist Book Store.

The second edition of Dr. Zeno Wall's book of sermons, "Heartening Messages," will be ready by August first.

And, now, as the promotional responsibilities of the Evangelistic Crusade fall upon the new Home Mission Board secretary of evangelism, Rev. Fred C. Eastham, I would commend him most heartily to the grace of God and to the good graces of our pastors and people.—M. E. Dodd.

The season is now upon us for summer evangelism in the rural districts and in extension meetings. This has always been the most fruitful season for Baptist evangelism. Our goal is an evangelistic meeting in 15,000 rural churches with particular concern for the 6,600 which had no baptism last year. The associational organizations must promote and press this matter if anything is to be accomplished at it. Our goal is 15,000 extension meetings in halls, tents, brush arbors, open air, etc. Every Baptist pastor and church who has a non-church area anywhere near should feel a deep personal responsibility for taking the gospel to that community.—M. E. Dodd.

"Bible Music" is a volume of 218 pages compiled by Lula Rumsey Wiley of Portland, Oregon and published by The Paebar Co., 1819 Broadway, New York 23, N. Y., at \$3. This book is a valuable addition to Bible literature. The author has made an extensive research into the various phases of the subject. The author gives every reference in the Bible to music.

Chicago—(RNS)—The National Lutheran Council will be asked to raise \$10,000,000 in its Lutheran World Action appeals of 1946 and 1947 for spiritual rehabilitation and reconstruction both here and abroad, according to a recommendation adopted here by the American section of the Lutheran World Convention. Of this amount, \$6,500,000 will be allocated to restore Lutheranism in Europe, it was said.

The pastor, W. C. Wood, of the College Avenue Baptist Church, Annapolis, Maryland, requests that Baptist Mississippi pastors and parents having sons in the U. S. Naval Academy write the College Avenue Baptist Church in Annapolis of these young men and their address at the Academy. The Sunday school and Training Union organizations of the church are eager to extend to the Baptist young men in the naval academy all possible fellowship and Christian service. There are homes within the membership of our church which from time to time would welcome these young men as guests. It is impossible to secure the midshipmen's names and religious affiliation from the Academy officials, because of the desire of the Academy to protect the midshipmen from persistent self-seeking people. Please send this information now. If he wishes the privilege of joining the Baptist Church Party from the Academy each Sunday morning, the midshipman must formally make this request to Academy officials before the fall session begins. The pastor's address is 98 College avenue; the church address is 90 College avenue—just three short blocks from the Academy grounds.

San Diego, Calif.—(RNS)—Plans of the San Diego Vocational school to conduct a summer course for the training of bartenders, in conjunction with the Bartenders' Union, drew fire from the San Diego County Ministerial Association and the San Diego chapter of the WCTU.

More than two hundred college and seminary students are now at work on Home Mission fields in the board's summer program for students, according to Dr. Courts Redford, assistant executive secretary. Forty-five schools, including three seminaries, over thirty Baptist colleges, and a number of state institutions are represented in this host of talented and consecrated young people who are giving twelve weeks to mission work throughout the South.

Dr. W. O. Lewis, general secretary, Baptist World Alliance, has sent *The Baptist Record* a letter from the Baptist Convention in Moscow, Russia. They express appreciation for the Baptists who are serving in the fighting forces and say earnestly to the American people that they appreciate the kits. The Russian Baptists sent a resolution expressing their sentiments and views for the American people to read. They pledge their love in Christian brotherhood.

Dr. Henry C. Goerner, associate professor of comparative religion and missions, at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, will do post-graduate work this summer at the University of Chicago. Dr. Goerner will be the Bible Hour speaker at the Kentucky state Y. W. A. camp at Clear Creek Springs, near Pineville, Ky., July 23-27.

Dr. S. L. Stealey, professor of church history at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, recently returned to Louisville from Yale University, where he went recently to do research work.

Mississippi Baptists---Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails," 1. Cor. 13:8b

"When Jesus saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion on them," Matthew 9:35-36.



PASTOR C. O. DUNKIN

MRS. C. O. DUNKIN

Pastor C. O. Dunkin and Mrs. Dunkin, Fairbanks, Alaska, are the leaders of the Baptist Mission there. They hope some day to have a self-supporting church with an adequate house of worship. They meet now in the Masonic Temple. Brother Dunkin and Mrs. Dunkin are to be congratulated on the fine work they are doing. They are Christian soldiers of the highest order. God is greatly using and blessing them in their ministry.

II

Starting this Sunday, we are privileged to be in an eight-day revival series with Dr. W. A. Bell and his fine folks at Parkway Baptist Church, Jackson. All regular services will be held on Sunday with only evening services during the week. We covet the prayers of praying people for God's blessings upon this and other revival efforts. Unless we feel led differently, we expect to preach a brief new series of sermons on revivals of the Bible. Did you know the first revival took place on the continent of Africa? What is the first New Testament revival mentioned? These and other interesting questions will be dealt with. We hope to meet many of our friends in these services.

W then go with Pastor Guy Little and the other saints at Goodwater in Simpson county.

We are to be in Winona Lake, Indiana, Bible Conference for a few days where we are to appear on the program. Individual engagements during the summer season are at Endville and Sherman with Pastor A. B. Jones; Calvary Baptist prayer meeting, Jackson, Dr. C. B. Bowen, pastor; First Baptist Church, Laurel, where Dr. L. G. Gates has smiled and scintillated for almost half a century, and First Baptist Church, Jackson, Dr. W. A. Hewitt, pastor. We call attention to the fact that our ministry touches rural churches, town churches and city churches. This is as it should be. We also speak for Pastor Odle at Crystal Springs and make the meeting of the Lawrence Association.

III

Another state mission victory comes in conjunction with local church and Foreign Mission forces. Mississippi Baptists have been putting State Mission monies in greater and larger sums in the Chinese work in the Delta through the years. Brother D. I. Young is our leader in the work this year. Dr. H. H. Harris recently went to them in a series of services. God gave spiritual fruitage in nineteen Chinese making professions of faith. "A great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb. . . ." DOXOLOGY!

THE POWER OF THE TONGUE

Tongues of angels on the balcony of heaven thrilled Judea when Christ the Lord was born. The Great Teacher spoke as never man spoke.

The tongue of our ascended Counselor, pleading for us at the court of heaven, has secured pardon for millions of undeserving souls.

After the hand of God brought Israel through the sea, Miriam sounded the note and started the song of redemption that rang from the lips of the free. Oh, for an electrical transcription of that song.

The tongue of Peter denied his Lord when the Saviour was sorely in need of a friend; but that same tongue baptized at Pentecost, brought three thousand to their knees.

The tongue of a young man who consented to Stephen's death became a new tongue that made Felix tremble with Holy Ghost conviction.

John Knox in his closet of secret prayer was more alarming to a wicked queen than the bayonets of ten thousand men.

Tongues can sway assemblies, carry elections, start wars, lift men to thrones and abase them to oblivion.

Satan—murderer, liar, accuser of brethren—can kindle a fire of devastation almost crushing to the saints of God.

The tongue can be a world of iniquity, a deadly poison, a fagot of hell; or it can pray effectually for a soul beset by sin, speak peace when tempests are ringing, make the vaults of heaven ring with joy when a bleeding sheep is carried back to the fold.

With millions of boys, the cream of the earth, homesick, wallowing in mud and blood, often mentally deranged, let us employ our tongues and pray, "Thy Kingdom come; Thy will be done in earth, as in heaven."

—J. F. Silver.

HE CAN'T COME HOME, HE'S GONE ON HOME
In memory of Pfc. Charles B. Taylor, who died on the battlefield
of France, June 16, 1944.)

He can't come home, he's gone on home,
He fell on foreign sod;
He heard the call, he gave his all
For country, home and God.

He can't come home, he's gone on home,
Where war clouds never rise.
His day is done, new life begun
In lovely Paradise.

He can't come home, he's gone on home,
Dear Ida, so young, so fair;
God's will is best—in Him we rest
Until we meet up there.

—B. B. McKinney.

IF I AM NOT A CHRISTIAN, GOD SAYS:

I am a sinner.:

"For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God." Romans 3:23.
I am under condemnation.

"The wages of sin is death." Romans 6:23. "He that believeth not hath been judged already, because he hath not believed on the name of the only begotten Son of God." John 3:18.

I cannot be saved by good works.

"For as many as are of the works of the law are under a curse; for it is written, Cursed is every one who continueth not in all things that are written in the book of the law, to do them." Galatians 3:10. "By the works of the law shall no flesh be justified in his sight." Romans 3:20.

Christ died to save me.

"Christ died for our sins, according to the Scriptures." I Corinthians 15:3. "God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on him should not perish, but have eternal life." John 3:16.

No one else can save me.

"And in none other is there salvation; for neither is there any other name under heaven, that is given among men, whereby we must be saved." Acts 4:12. "He that believeth on the Son, has eternal life; he that obeyeth not the Son, hath not life, but the wrath of God abideth on him." John 3:36.

I must repent of my sins.

"Now God commandeth men that they should all everywhere repent." Acts 17:30. "Except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish." Luke 13:5.

I must receive Jesus Christ as my Saviour.

"As many as received him, to them gave he the right to become children of God, even to them that believeth on his name." John 1:12. "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved." Acts 16:31.

I must follow Jesus Christ as my Lord and Master.

"If any man would come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross and follow me." Mark 8:34.

I am foolish and sinful to delay my salvation.

"How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation?" Hebrews 2:3. "Today if ye shall hear his voice, harden not your hearts." Hebrews 3:7. "Behold, now is the acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation." 2 Corinthians 6:2. "Ye know not what shall be on the morrow." James 4:14.

A SINNER'S PRAYER: God be merciful to me, a sinner, and help me to give myself wholly to Jesus Christ as my Saviour and Lord NOW.

IF I AM A CHRISTIAN, GOD SAYS:

I ought to confess Christ publicly.

"For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation." Romans 10:10. "Every one therefore who shall confess me before men, him will I also confess before my Father who is in heaven. But whosoever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my Father who is in heaven." Matthew 10:32, 33.

I ought to be baptized.

"Repent ye, and be baptized every one of you unto the remission of your sins; and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit." Acts 2:38.

I ought to join regularly in public worship.

"Sing praise unto Jehovah, O ye saints of his, and give thanks unto his holy memorial name." Psalm 30:4. "Speaking one to another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody with your heart to the Lord." Ephesians 5:19. "Not forsaking our own assembling together." Hebrews 10:25.

I ought to serve my Lord faithfully.

"Be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deluding your own selves." James 1:22. "What doth it profit, my brethren, if a man say he hath faith, but have not works? Can that faith save him?" James 2:14. "Well done, good and faithful servant." Matthew 25:21.

I ought to set the right kind of example for others.

"Ye are the light of the world. Let your light shine before men; that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven."

I ought to read my Bible regularly.

"Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and light unto my path." Psalm 119:105. "The sacred writings, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation." 2 Timothy 3:15.

I ought to pray much.

"He spake a parable unto them to the end that they ought always to pray, and not to faint." Luke 18:1. "Pray without ceasing." 1 Thessalonians 5:17. "Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation." Matthew 26:41.

A CHRISTIAN'S PRAYER: My Heavenly Father, help me to realize

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WORTHY AND CHALLENGING GOALS FOR MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS

1. Every Mississippi Baptist Church contributing through the Cooperative Program.
2. A summer assembly.
3. A full-time worker with the Negroes.
4. A Sunday school, a Training Union, a Woman's Missionary Union and a Brotherhood in every church.
5. A full-time Indian worker.
6. A Baptist Building in Jackson.
7. More associational missionaries.
8. Enlarged soldier work.
9. The Baptist Record in every home.

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BUY A HORSE

From an Associated Press news item we learn that "The War Production Board announced tonight it may authorize limited production of whisky and other beverage alcohol indefinitely following July's unrestricted production.

"The possibility was unfolded to distillers attending a closed conference on the industrial alcohol producers industry advisory committee here."

Another AP dispatch states: "Fit and rarin' to go after the second cog in the racing's triple triple crown, Hoop, Jr., the Kentucky Derby king and his confident trainer, Ivan Parke, arrived at Pimlico today, along with half a dozen other candidates for the \$50,000-added Preakness stakes Saturday."

Space forbids details but whisky making and distribution require transportation and paper. Many people can travel in the space used by one race horse. And it takes much transportation to get people to and from the race tracks, gov-

ernment denials notwithstanding.

The Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention is going to ask permission to hold the Southern Baptist Convention in the fall of 1945. We predict that the request will be denied because of the alleged lack of transportation.

More transportation will be used in one day at the various race tracks in the United States than will be used by the next meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention.

More transportation will be used by the liquor industry in July than will be used by the next session of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Recently The Baptist Record was denied a reasonable and modest increase in paper allotment.

More paper will be used by race tracks of the United States in one day than the increase we asked for for three months.

The whisky crowd will use more paper in July than The Baptist Record uses in months.

Someone has suggested that if Southern Baptists want to hold the 1945 Convention they should purchase a race horse for each messenger and schedule some races and the transportation troubles would be ended.

NOT LESS BUT MORE

Salt Lake City—(RNS)—Churches should not "preach about hell" to returning service men, Bishop William P. Remington, of the Protestant Episcopal Church told a meeting here of the Pacific provincial council. "Men in the military forces have been up against realities," he said. "Our returning veterans will know more about hell than any religious leader, because they will have been there. These men will want to know, instead, how to find themselves at home."

The above is just one more example of the modernism that is abroad in our land.

In other words Bishop Remington advises us to disregard the plain teachings of God's Word.

He is correct in asserting that the returning soldiers will have seen a lot of "hell on earth," but he is wrong in suggesting that hell be left out of our preaching. That is one cause for the mess we are now in. We need more preaching that emphasizes the awfulness of hell and less of the comfortable milk and water preaching that makes many unregenerated sinners feel comfortable. We need less hell in people and more hell in our preaching.

VICTORY WILL BRING MORE PROBLEMS

While victory in Europe is now a date in history and victory over Japan is not as far away as it once was, we know that V-Day problems are imminent. Thousands of husbands, sons and brothers are returning home. Many are coming for a short period before transferring to the Pacific area and others are receiving discharges. As these service men return to civilian life they will look to the churches to help them make necessary adjustments.

Classes that had been filled with these boys and men before the exodus to our training camps have dwindled until many of them are no more. The best teachers available need to be enlisted to take over classes for these men. Our men and boys will demand a challenging program. Christianity will have to be a vital something to be lived day by day. We who have remained at home will have to do more than profess our religion.

The periods of training in the States and the duties overseas have not been easy tasks for the enlisted men or the officers. They have learned to put in hours of study and to do a job well when the opportunity came.

The program of Christ is not a "namby-pamby" program. When Christians take Him seriously and try to follow His will for their lives, they will be amazed at the opportunities that come in the every day walks of life to witness for Him. Friends in church and out of church are judging how much of Christianity they want, by the way we conduct ourselves. The returning war veterans will be watching for changes in our conceptions. As our outlook has broadened to the world outlook in the material and physical world, so must Christians cultivate the world outlook through missions. Christianity is a world religion. Christ's death made eternal life possible for people of every tongue and nation.

While the summer months are usually thought of as the revival season, souls should be saved in season and out of season. And when Christian people forget self enough to practice Christ's teachings (and only Christians can practice His teachings and that through His grace) then will we find a perennial revival in our churches.

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Some 25 Junior boys from the Baptist Orphanage recently enjoyed a week at Raymond Lake. This outing was made possible by Friendship Bible class of Parkway church, Fellowship Bible class and Beacon Bible class of Calvary church, Moffitt Bible class and Squires Bible class of First church, all of Jackson.

HELPFUL READING

Every reader of The Baptist Record should turn to the W. M. U. column and read the letter which Miss Miriam Rosa of Italy wrote thanking Miss Edwina Robinson for a package of relief supplies.

It is both thrilling and informing.

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Dr. Boyd Approves Hall Of Fame

The suggestion of Brother B. E. Phillips of New Hebron looking to a Hall of Fame in the new Baptist building in Jackson strikes a responsive chord in all our hearts. I would suggest, too, that a room be set aside for this and the added features of Baptist Archives. There are certain documents and other historical data already in our possession, and more will be coming in, that are worthy of proper exhibition in a convenient place for the benefit of our Baptist people. And the Baptist building in Jackson and headquarters of our work is the most appropriate place for it.

We appreciate the interest of those who have continued to send historical material to me and the Baptist collection, care of the librarian of Mississippi College, Clinton. Let the good work go on!

Cordially,
J. L. BOYD,
Union, Miss.

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MRS. MARY J. BICKERSTAFF

Early in the morning of May 10, 1945, another of the faithful believers in the Lord Jesus, Mrs. Mary J. Bickerstaff, went home to be with the Lord.

She was married to J. R. Bickerstaff January 31, 1894, and they established their home in Highland community where they reared their family.

She had been in declining health for almost a year, and the last five months of her life here on earth she suffered intensely with cancer. Through all the trials of bodily sufferings she bore up as a patient Christian. Her passing from this life was the solemn slipping away into the presence of the Lord.

For almost sixty years of the seventy-two she spent here in this sin-cursed and sin-wrecked world, she held membership in the local body of Christ, the Highland Baptist Church. She was a beloved and devout member. Always she could be counted on for her share of activity in any movement for the on-going of the church work. Her love for the Lord and His Word was a pronounced characteristic in her life. In the day when the Lord shall crown His saints she shall receive her jewels.

She is survived by four sons and two daughters: Guy of Tishomingo; Reece of Gulfport; Alton of Ann Arbor, Michigan; Wilbur with the 69th division of the First Army in Germany; Ollie of Tishomingo; Mrs. Lillian Pennington of Tishomingo. Also sixteen grandchildren and one great-grandchild and a great host of friends survive her home going.

Funeral services were conducted by her pastor, Rev. A. G. Graham, assisted by Rev. J. W. Hughes, of Red Bay, Alabama, and Rev. W. C. Hamilton of Tishomingo.

Pallbearers were her nephews: Herbert McRae, Edward McRae, Harold Blunt, Jesse Blunt, Johnnie Blunt, Herman Blunt and Leonard Byram.

The body was laid to rest in Highland Cemetery to await the morning of the resurrection when believers in Jesus shall meet and rejoice forevermore.

THE SPIRITUAL OUTLOOK

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wires of prison have not been able totally to withhold from me that which my nation outside the concentration camp was feeling.

Alive; Yet Dead

The population of the western provinces looked out for American and British troops, vaguely hoping that they might come to free them from the yoke which they had been unable to shake off by their own efforts. But when these troops actually arrived, they found a people dumb, dull, apathetic, still living, but not alive; and yet dead, but bare of aims and hopes.

The great majority are stunned, not knowing or questioning what may happen tomorrow.

I do not believe in general there is any hatred against the "enemy," and I doubt whether there has been any during the war. If there is any hatred, it is against that kind of people who throughout the whole world have dishonored all which is called German, and who have inflicted their inconceivable cruelties upon their own people as well as on foreign victims of their sadism and fanaticism. Concentration camps and extermination camps were not an invention of the war that began in 1939, but of 1933, and "war crimes" had their beginning many years before the war began. But this sort of hatred is deep-rooted in the past and may be by no means a fountainwell of energy. It only adds to the general feeling of misery and hopelessness.

The struggle which was fought by the German Christian churches to maintain their freedom of preaching and teaching is a struggle which has not been without permanent effect.

Youth Knew That Power

For me, it has been the most delightful and strengthening experience to read the letters my wife has sent me from young people at the front, many of whom I did not know, letters proving these youth knew that power which proved strong enough to sustain them in the midst of a seemingly senseless fate; letters proving these youths knew what would be their Christian duty and task if they returned home.

In my own parish, daily services of intercession never ceased during the eight years. I know that Christian faith and life has not been stifled in Germany.

The origins of the present spiritual crisis in Germany must be understood. National socialism was condensed into a sentence, "the common welfare precedes individual profit." A new ideal was proclaimed; people were told that the original meaning of Christianity was to be put into action, and accordingly the password, "positive Christianity," was given out. Thus it happened that innumerable "good" people joined the Nazi ranks.

Real Character of Nazism Revealed

When Hitler came to power, the real character of Nazism came to light step by step. Parties were dissolved, associations and boards were coordinated, newspapers and public opinion were standardized and put under control, while every attempt to prevent or delay the totalitarian idea was

broken by the Gestapo. Mere violence was substituted for the former ideal.

The people's spirit, the "good" people's, particularly, declined so much that in 1939 the war began without signs of enthusiasm. All ideals had been sacrificed for the one which had been preached as the only one, and now this vanished like a dream. What was left was sheer emptiness of mind and soul, bearable only so long as daily sorrows and duties kept the people going on.

Christians Have a Share

And that is what the G. I.'s saw when they entered Germany and found our people dumb, dull, and apathetic. This news and pictures of crimes and atrocities have infinitely deepened this abyss.

My impression is that nothing is left in the innermost soul of my people, and that this poorness surpasses all physical suffering. We Christians have our share in this affliction. We lost our sons and daughters, our homes, our fortunes, our freedom, and our chances for the future, as well as everybody else. But we lost no ideal. On the contrary, strange as it may seem, we have gained something that is not small. We have found that God does not fail us, and that therefore our faith does not let us down. We do not question God's love, despite the graves, ruins, and crimes, and therefore we will try to hand over this love to our people in order to fill their empty souls.

There is no doubt they are all longing for it, and that they will take it wherever it comes from. For a long time, I think, they will not ask for ideals and ideas. They are wary and weary of them. They are just looking for a little humanity, and they will take it wherever it is to be found, for they have not felt wholly human for years.

Thus, we may take it from the Russians and bless them for it. Or from the Americans and bless them for it. We will take it from Christians everywhere and learn "to glorify Our Father which is in heaven." In this way only can I see the present situation of my nation. I do not believe there can be any reconstruction of my nation. I do not believe there can be any reconstruction in a short time, because the foundations have been swept away.

I do not think there is any power left in the world which is able to lay new foundations, if not love. Therefore, I thank God that the Christian churches withstood Hitler, defied the Gestapo, and were saved after all, so that our people has one friend left in its midst which can help to prevent a wave of despair from rising and overflowing Europe once more. There is a great work to be accomplished, and in spite of all the misery, there is—a hope.

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CHAPLAIN COMFORTS ANXIOUS MOTHERS

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for anxious mothers.

Mothers, a keen solicitous interest should be years, always, but a "nightmarish" anxiety cannot be supported by the history of troop movements, even in a time of war. While dangers are continually present, they are, through the ingenious alertness of

army and navy, reduced to a minimum. With all security precautions fully met, your faith has a chance. Your part is to cover your sons with a halo of prayer and lie down to undisturbed slumber. Having seen them come aboard by the thousands, I am less disturbed than formerly, and the soldier, himself, reflects but little anxious concern. The new and varied exhilarative circumstances along the route keep him pre-occupied. He soon discovers that his ship, like a well corked bottle, is hard to sink. Of course, the time may come when his vessel must enter the more dangerous waters, but his ship, a troop transport, is riding a center position, ringed by a convoy of steel, ships as far as the eye can see. The formation and movement of a great convoy is one of the most impressive sights of this age. Dangers at sea form no adequate cause for undue apprehension.

97% Get Seasick

By medical check, seasickness, to some degree, affects 97 per cent of those traveling, for the first time, by water. Except in rare cases, this sickness lasts only two or three days. By then the little balance wheel in the ear adjusts its movement in the same tempo to that of the ship. This soldier is then able to laugh at the fellow who continues to have a green look about the gills. I recall on one occasion a lieutenant said to me, "Chaplain, I'll be a general before I get on water again." In fact, he said more than this. "You can cancel my American citizenship," said he, "for I am choosing foreign residence rather than experience another crossing." But this extreme exception has no serious consequences and only affords amusement for others. It is said that those with impaired hearing never feel, even the slightest, seasickness.

70 Games In Progress

Suppose we make our first observation tour at the end of our first week upon the water. It is remarkable how quickly most of us get accustomed to the movement of the ship. The reflection of the sun through the port hole in the chaplain's stateroom is first on the floor and then on the ceiling. You can see that the vessel is both tipping and sliding, affording an excellent time for a visit with the men along the open deck. It is at an hour of the day when 1000 or more men can always be found in the sunshine—everywhere men, your men, are wholly oblivious to their surroundings. In company with another officer, we are making a report to the transport commander. We count 70 games (various kinds) in progress, 30 writing letters, 300 reading books and magazines, 100 enjoying an orientation lecture, 50 peacefully dozing, and fully 200 in rather enlivened conversation groups. With an average of six playing or observing in the games, you can see that there would be little evidence of low morale. The hundreds below deck are of the same type of soldier. Since the library is under the chaplain's direction he feels a large measure of pride in the desire of the men for reading. The 300 readers would favorably match a university reading room back home.

The business of eating and sleeping, the performance of necessary work, picture shows nightly, frequent deck programs, and two services Sundays, cannot be an adequate cause for undue apprehension on an ocean crossing.

Imitating Noah

Forty days and forty nights have passed. We have duplicated the record of Noah. While fully ready to debark, I would not say that our men were forlorn and weary. In effect they said, "If this is essential to the job ahead, count us in for as long as it takes." Even time passes, if time enough is given, so we came eventually to the end of our journey and were privileged to step

MY FAVORITE SERMON

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and Him alone. To close with every resistance that obstructs Christian living. To march through every peril that awaits it. With our life's course set amidst the confusion about us, let us not submit to lies and in death or hunger never in any wise turn from high ideals of life to debase and sordid things.

Now in this hour of darkness and distress, God calls for men and women everywhere to stand and live in the faith.

The challenge that strikes the deepest is that to the youth of our nation. Never was and never shall there be a time when God needs young people any more than He does in these days. God needs young people with rugged Christian pride, with lives dedicated to the Lord. We find that great souls are always loyal, submissive, reverent to what is over them; mean souls are otherwise. The sincere youth in Christ is by nature obedient. How God needs the souls and lives of young people.

The young life that separates from the crowd today stands aloof and apart. They must summon themselves and others to mingle, to toil and trust in God. Youth can not stay with the world and enjoy the peace and delight that comes from God. Conforms the mind not to the world but a resolute subjugation of the world to the best conceptions of the mind. Not self indulgence, but self sacrifice. Not joining into squalor for quiet sake, but war and conflict with it. Not to live for luxury and ease, but strife, toil and trust in God. Beat anew the old highways of the prophets and men of virtue and sincerity. Oh! youth stands on sure foundations, on the Rock of Ages, let your life stand like a great permanent built edifice; finished, symmetrically complete with architectural nobleness in the very being as Christ radiates forth. Preach a gospel to the world in Christian living, that will show forth morale, internal prudence, clearness of minds. Take vision from depths of despair and exalt high Jesus Christ.

The thing that makes young lives go wrong on one hand, is the providence of the world bringing in the discordant nature, the melancholy of hopeless views. That of indulgence in sordid elements of life. On the other, there is when we suffer of suspect misdirections and feebleness in the energies of love, and duties within ourselves. (May error exist but love never vanish from the face of the earth.) Young people, and aged alike to become master of all situations of life. We need Christ, clearness of mind, and definite action in the Christian life. May God hasten the hour when His peace will nigh extinguish the sufferings of man.

Christians then who are the custodians of the gospel of God. Carry the message by being twicers, twice to church on Sunday, by being tithees, giving God His, by being thankful, both day and night. Let us labor together next year in the vineyards of the Lord, with tears, and become all things to all men that by all means we might save some.

ashore under the hanging palms of a sandy beach. We were wiser, riper in experience, more disciplined in nature, in a good average of health, fixed in ideas, and with a greater sense of security for the future.

This is my message to the "back at home" mothers.

MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS

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the glorious privilege of being a child of God, and give me grace and strength to live every day as a child of God ought to live.

—H. W. Provence.

Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union

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OUR STATE OFFICERS

ITALIAN BOXES RECEIVED
(When the names of individuals were chosen, I selected the name of the W. M. U. secretary of Italy. I think you will be interested in this letter—which tells of receiving the boxes and something of the work there.—E. R.)

Rome, May 19, 1945

"... And I will bless thee; ... and thou shalt be a blessing." (Genesis XII-2.)

Dear Sister in the Faith,

Your gift-parcel arrived all right, and it gave me not only a great joy, but has been a blessing arrived to me from America.

I thank you with all my heart for your kindness. All the things you sent are precious to me for we are in great need of everything.

I am the national secretary of the Women's Baptist Movement. In order to give you some particulars about me, I send you a sheet with my personal missionary dates. There is an article in the Baptist Messenger of 4th January dealing with my efforts among the women and our particular conditions before and during the war and there are other articles and other reports in the hands of our missionary, Mrs. Moore. I think it is necessary that the American sisters should know all possible of us and of our country, because they were those who let us have all necessary assistance for everything.

Since a month we are receiving gift-parcels from U. S. A. We send you for it so many and sincere blessings. You all are saving a really tragic situation and making appear a ray of joy on so many eyes which were exhausted by the tears. Your Christian love is sublime as we are a defeated nation. We are a nation who has declared you war but nevertheless you are benefiting us so much and excusing what we have done. I can assure you, however, that the Italian Christians never wanted the war against you. When the war broke out, we were all convinced that our greatest victory would be the defeat of the Nazi and the Fascists. In fact, it was pened so as we are now freed from a yoke which became always harder and harder, particularly towards religion. Your political victory means for us the promotion of the reign of God. The goodness of Christian America towards us is now the most efficient preaching of the gospel in pagan Italy. All sisters of Italy understand that, admire you and love you. The Roman Unionists who do not know how to thank the Lord for what they are receiving from their American sisters, are making offerings in money, fruit of sacrifice to the cash of the church. Who receives several parcels, makes gifts to Catholics in want and that is in favour of the good witness. Our worships are now getting more visitors and enthusiasm for the course of Christ has increased. We feel more love for ourselves because united by the same joy and we are more willing to work for our Lord, since our bodies are reacquiring more and new vigour. We feel humiliated

in front of the Lord for what we are getting from America. All sisters are sending letters of thanksgiving and pray for all of you in order that the Divine Father may increase your prosperity.

I am sure if you can, you will interest some good friend of yours so that she may send to my address something that I shall be very glad to send to the free countries where your parcels cannot yet arrive. I have lots of letters asking for food and clothing, from sisters that are not in Rome but at present I cannot satisfy their requests. God bless you for all you are doing for us. You are a privileged people and for this I praise the Lord. Your sympathy and your help lets me feel what Solomon had experienced. (Proverbs XXV:25): "As cold waters to a thirsty soul, so is good news from a far country."

Our review "Il Testimonio" since recently contains a page devoted to the news about our women's movement. This is a great progress, an official recognition for us women. Now my great efforts consists in reorganizing the female element, which had been so badly suffering. At Rome we have already put right things and the three unions which have been founded during these years of war, are regularly functioning. However, this is not the case in the other parts of Italy, where my surveys would be necessary. I am doing all I can by the means of hearty printed appeals, by letters and most by prayers to the Lord who certainly will reply in due time and grant us the necessary help. No doubt that without a material side the missionary work cannot be well performed in abnormal times like those being at present.

After the blessed arrival of the Allies we have grown fatter and we live in joy with the glance towards the ocean from where the help comes not to let us die.

I have nothing to send you but these few flowers grown under the beautiful Italian sky will tell you all the spiritual admiration not only mine, but of all the Christian people for you all abroad, that for the sake of love, know "to forgive and forget."

I give you all the words of Paul in II Corinthians IX-8-13.

The Lord may guard, protect and advise you for your important missions among women, whose example has been given at first by Himself. The Lord may bless you for what you had done and for what you will still do in my and in our favour.

I send the greetings and Christian love of all the Italian Baptist sisters and also my gratitude and my love in the same service for our Lord.

A friend of yours from overseas,

MIRIAM ROSA,
Piazza in Lucina, 35
Doma, Italia.

See next week's paper for facts about Miriam Rosa.

I was born in the province of Parma, in the north of Italy, and am 46 years old. My father was a Methodist preacher, my mother has been

teacher of the Sunday school and organist of the church. I was brought up in a most Christian atmosphere of faithfulness and love for our Master and Saviour, and since my first years I have followed my parents in all their missionary work finding in it the greatest joy of my childhood. At 14th years of age I began to be the teacher of a Sunday school for little ones, and was appointed the church organist. With my father I have worked in 14 churches in the north of Italy, and my missionary experience became developed. At 20 years I began to lead the Sunday school and the young people of the church.

After my father's death I was converted to the Baptist church and was baptized in one of the South of Italy. Since then I have worked in several churches in the South and I have had many missionary experiences.

In 1938 I was invited for the first time by Mrs. Susy Whittinghill to a women's meeting in Rome where I was asked to lead a meditation of preparation to the Holy Supper. In that meeting I had the pleasure to meet our new missionary, Mrs. Alice Moore who had arrived from America.

The second meeting in which I took part was in 1940 when Mrs. Moore asked me to help a triple study on the verse of the Apostle Paul, in the Epistle to the Corinthians XV-38.

In 1941 I settled in Rome, and became the directress of the Sunday school, the organist and deaconess of my church.

For a few months I had the pleasure to be with our dear missionary, Mrs. Moore, and to help her in her work and these months have been sufficient to convince me that she is a woman full of sincere and illuminated consecration. Her coming to Italy has been a blessing and the good seed she has sown is already showing signs having been blessed abundantly.

In September of the same year Mrs. Moore was obliged to return to America and she left Italy leaving me in her place.

The directive committee of our work, in the meeting of November 13th, has conferred on me the charge of national secretary, according to our statute.

The Lord has always blessed our work and to the precious example of our far-away missionary and to her I owe my special gratitude.

Now I pray for her return and that the help to go on with my work to the glory of God may not fail to come.—Miriam Rosa, national secretary of the Women's Baptist Movement.

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MISSISSIPPI CALENDAR OF PRAYER

July 9—Dr. N. W. Cox, Lauderdale County Convention Board Member.

July 10—Dr. W. A. Sullivan, Mississippi College Trustee.

July 11—Dr. Ira B. Seale, Blue Mountain College Trustee.

July 12—Ben Stevens, Woman's College Trustee.

July 13—Mrs. Watts Webb, Rankin County W. M. U. Associational Su-



MISS MARGARET RAY

of Starkville, Mississippi, who recently assumed her duties as church secretary of the Main Street Baptist Church in Hattiesburg, Mississippi.

Miss Ray is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. James D. Ray of the First Baptist Church, Starkville, and is an honor graduate of Mississippi State College and has had wide experience in BSU work and in all phases of church work. While in college Miss Ray served on the BSU Council and was president of the YWCA. She was active in all phases of campus life serving in student government; on the staff of the college paper, The Reflector; president of Chi Omega and in addition to her activities at the First Baptist Church in Starkville worked with the young people of the East End Baptist Church on the hill grounds. She was a member of the faculty of the Starkville Junior High school before coming to Main Street Baptist Church.

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Dr. H. M. Harris reports a fine meeting at the Chinese Mission in Greenville as follows: "There were 19 professions of faith, all Chinese. There are about 30 members already, and this make approximately a 60% increase. Rev. D. I. Young is pastor of the mission, which was formerly superintended by Kern Pratt, a local layman and other fine workers. The pastor has won the hearts of the people. The Chinese constitute no police problem but present a great mission opportunity. They recently bought \$40,000 in war bonds. Some are quite prosperous. Some of the Chinese were baptized in China. The State Mission Board, the First Baptist Church and the Chinese contribute to Bro. Young's support. In all the revivals I ever held, never has there been such a response when the small size of the Chinese group is considered. There is a fine group of attractive young people in the mission."

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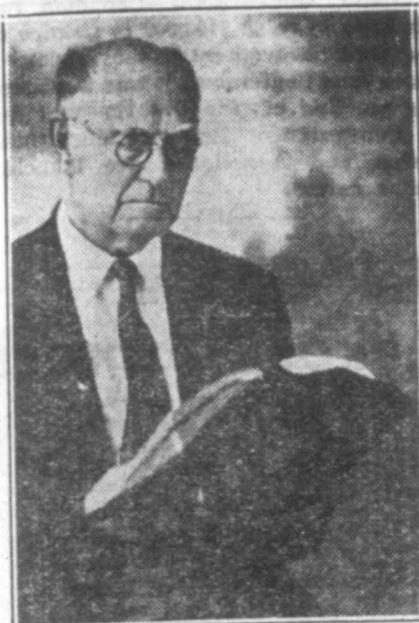
July 14—M. E. Leake, Orphanage Trustee.

July 15—Dr. C. S. Thomas, Clarke College Trustee.

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JOHN W. DOGGETT

In the death of Brother John W. Doggett, Kossuth Baptist Church has lost one of its very best members; Kossuth community and Alcorn county one of our best citizens. He was eighty-three years old and had served as superintendent of the Sunday school of his church for fifty-one years.

Such loyalty as was his to his church, his pastor and community is not seen every day. By reason of him many have been turned unto the Lord. His influence will live on. May our heavenly Father comfort his loved ones. "A prince in Israel has fallen."

His pastor, W. T. Darling.

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JOHN MURRAY MERCIER

James Murray Mercier passed away Friday, March 23, at his home. He has left us for only a while until we can all be gathered together again in the sweet beyond.

He was a citizen of Lincoln county, and was reared near Moak's Creek church. He united with this church and lived a Christian life there for several years and then moved his letter to Pleasant Hill church. Later he moved to Johnston Station, spent three happy years there, and after buying his home he moved to Arlington and spent several happy years in that church. In September 1944 he moved to Montgomery church where he lived the remainder of his life. His last illness was for a period of five months and he was in bed most of the time, but in his sickness he never complained or murmured. Rather than tell of his own illness his chief concern was for the visitors who came to see him.

He was married to Estella Rollins on December 30, 1897. To this union were born five children. Two died in infancy and his wife and three daughters are left to mourn his passing. The daughters are: Clotie Allen, Bogue Chitto, route 3; Margaret Wilson, Summit, route 5; Gladys King, Brookhaven, route 1. Ten grandchildren and one great grandchild, one brother, Rufus Mercier of Roseland, Louisiana, and a host of nieces, nephews and friends also survive.

He was born April 26, 1873, and lived 71 years, ten months and 25 days. We know in his going it is better for him but only the Lord can know how much we miss him. We are grateful that he is not suffering now.—Wife and daughters.

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At Columbia University this summer for post-graduate study are: Dr. Leo T. Crismon, associate librarian, and Charles A. McGlon, assistant professor of public speaking, of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville; Mrs. Donald Winters, of the faculty of the School of Church Music, of the seminary; and Miss Miriam Robinson, of the faculty of the W. M. U. Training school, Louisville.

Home Mission Board

Trust The Lord And Tell The People

J. B. Lawrence, Executive Secretary-Treasurer

March, 1944

Joe W. Burton, Secretary of Education

New Missionaries Appointed

Nineteen new missionaries for work in eight states have been appointed by the Home Mission Board, according to Dr. J. B. Lawrence, executive secretary-treasurer.

New workers include, for the Mexican field in Texas, Rev. and Mrs. Pantaloan Molina, Pearsall, and Rev. and Mrs. Felix Becerra, Navasota; for the Italian work, Miss Maryona Pucciarelli, Tampa, Fla.; among the Indians, Rev. and Mrs. Victor Kanuebe, Oklahoma City; among foreigners, Rev. Elmer Carter, Gillespie, Ill.; as city mission superintendents, Rev. Geo. G. Threadgill, St. Petersburg, Rev. W. Don McClellan, Miami, and Rev. A. L. Gatewood, New Orleans; for rural work, Rev. John W. Pearce, Jacksonville, Fla., Rev. Paul Palmer, Heber Springs, Ark., Rev. James Fitzgerald, Dumas, Ark., Rev. John A. Ivey, Frankfort, Ky., and Rev. L. W. Benedict, Louisville, Ky.; Rev. H. C. Bell, Tuscaloosa, Ala., Rev. J. W. Lester, Rockford, Ala., and Rev. Collis Cunningham, Tallahassee, Alabama.

The appointment of Rev. McClellan as city mission superintendent in Miami is to succeed Rev. J. E. Johnstone, who resigned. The Rev. Mr. Gatewood succeeds Rev. A. L. Kirkwood, resigned.

Chaplaincy appointments of Southern Baptist ministers last month numbered nineteen, according to Dr. Alfred Carpenter, superintendent of camp work. More than a thousand Southern Baptist chaplains had above 5,000 professions of Christian faith the past month, Dr. Carpenter reported.

In the Board's city mission work, now in operation in thirty-eight cities more than 11,000 services were held the past two months, according to Dr. S. F. Dowis, superintendent. In these services, he said, 10,669 volunteer workers participated, 1,593 made profession, and 17 new churches were constituted.

Mission receipts in March, according to Dr. Lawrence, totaled \$103,348.16, an increase of \$26,761.75, or 35%, over the total for March last year. In three months the Board has received \$240,386.64, an increase of \$69,254.30, or 40%.

Recognition Given Indian Series

Sound in scholarship and candid in their presentation of the facts is the appraisal given to the Home Mission Board's Indian series of books in a review carried by the Pacific Historical Review.

The review, which was printed in the December, 1944, issue of this publication, further states that the series presents "an accurate picture of Baptist missions and the people whom they serve."

The review is limited to what the reviewer calls the "more advanced volumes of a graded study course in Indian missions." Four of the six books in the series are reviewed—Baptist Missions Among the American Indians, by Carl Coke Rister; By Way of Cherokee, by Thelma Sharman Brown; Kimo: A First American, by Pauline Cammack; and Indian Resource Book, by Joe W. Burton.

"None of the books is a historical

contribution," the reviewist points out, "but all of them are written against a background of genuine historical knowledge. Although it is possible to pick out a few errors in fact, the errors were surprisingly few for publications of this kind, and the general spirit is true to Indian life and history. The course presents an accurate picture of Baptist missions and the people whom they serve."

"The adult book, in particular, reveals the preoccupation of the church with conversions and religious meetings to the exclusion of educational training and social and economic betterment; but this is perhaps natural in view of the work now being done by the government in the latter fields. The most cordial cooperation between the missionaries and the government

agencies is revealed throughout the series.

"The same cooperation is not always apparent between the denominations. Perhaps the most extreme example of denominational rivalry is found on page 127 of the adult textbook, where a missionary, speaking of the 'very large work' of Presbyterian, Methodist, and Christian Reformed missions among the Navajos, complains, 'Because of their large resources, it is difficult for Baptists, with no equipment, to cope with them.'

"Since these texts will have many thousands of readers it is fortunate that their scholarship is sound; and if their denominational viewpoint is narrow, their candid presentation of the facts may create an informed public opinion to correct it."

MRS. A. C. WATKINS

Mrs. Ernest W. Clinton of Monticello and other members of the family have the sympathy of friends in the home-going of Mrs. A. C. Watkins, beloved mother of Mrs. Clinton, Mrs. H. G. Street of Vicksburg and A. C. Watkins of Jackson and for a number of years an esteemed resident of Clinton, who died on May 25 in the Mercy Hospital in Vicksburg following an illness of thirteen months. For the past several months Mrs. Watkins had been tenderly cared for in Monticello in the Clinton home until she became critically ill and was removed to Vicksburg on May 21. Previously she had stayed in Vicksburg in the home of her daughter and in the hospital there.

Funeral services for Mrs. Watkins were held at Clinton at the First Baptist Church with the pastor, the Rev. John Newport, conducting the services on May 26. The Rev. J. H. Street of Jackson assisted. Mrs. Watkins was buried in the Clinton cemetery near her husband, the late Dr. A. C. Watkins, who died thirteen years ago.

Mrs. Watkins, seventy-two, was a native of Brownsville, Neb., and before her marriage was Miss Rose Schantz. She had lived in Clinton for the past twenty-three years until her health failed.

In 1903 she was appointed by the Southern Baptist Convention Foreign Missions Board as a missionary to Mexico. In 1905 she was married to Dr. A. C. Watkins, also a Baptist missionary. From 1910 until 1922 she and her husband served in churches in Mississippi and Louisiana. After her husband retired from his church work he taught at Mississippi College and at Hillman College.

Mrs. Watkins taught in the Clinton public school for fifteen years and was librarian of the Clinton high school in recent years before failing health caused her retirement. She had been a member of the Baptist church since early girlhood.

In addition to her son and two daughters, A. C. Watkins, Jackson; Mrs. E. W. Clinton, Monticello, and Mrs. H. G. Street, Vicksburg, immediate survivors are two sisters, Mrs. Minnie Davies, Kimball, Neb., and Mrs. Lillie Cutting, Los Angeles, Calif., a brother, Charles Schantz, Beatrice, Neb., and five grandchildren, one of whom is James Ernest Clinton, Monticello.

Three step-daughters, Mrs. T. E. Hewitt, Summit; Mrs. J. A. Collier, Leland and Mrs. C. J. Overton of Jackson, survive with other relatives.

Mrs. Hazel Cannon Brinson, (Mrs. A. C. Brinson.)



J. D. AYCOCK ORDAINED

Joel David Aycock was ordained to the gospel ministry by the New Hope church, Sunflower county, on Wednesday evening, April 9.

The presbytery elected S. B. Harrington to serve as chairman, and W. S. Hardin, pastor at Drew, to serve as secretary. The ordination sermon was

preached by Rev. B. D. Hardin, a former pastor, now of Bonita. Dr. W. S. Hardin presented the Bible, which was a gift of the church, and Dr. O. P. Moore of Moorhead delivered the charge.

The Rev. Aycock was a charter member of the church and has held offices in various departments of the church. At the time of his ordination he was secretary of the deacons and superintendent of the Junior department. During the summer the new minister will preach at the church's mission which is located near the church. In the fall he plans to enter Clarke College.—S. B. Harrington.

Mendenhall Baptist Church All Girls Choir



MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE
PARAGRAPHS

Over and Above

We want to share with the many who know and love Professor J. M. Sharp this note received this week: "Dear Dr. Nelson: In memory of my departed and devoted wife, I am sending through Walnut Street Baptist Church (Louisville, Ky.) a small gift of \$100 to be used by that, or on that object of the enlargement planning, whose need in your opinion is most pressing. I am thankful by the grace of God I have been enabled to save a part of what the college sends me as a salary. With best wishes and kindest regards for you, your family, I am as always, your friend, J. M. Sharp." Measured by heavenly standards, this may loom up as one of the largest and greatest gifts of the campaign. It is the expression of loyalty, appreciation, and devotion of a great soul. May he live to be a hundred in full possession of his powers!

A Spontaneous Offering

We were invited by Shady Grove Baptist Church, M. P. Jones, pastor, to present the cause of Mississippi College last Sunday. Our message was received with sympathetic interest. A free-will offering was taken without suggestion by the speaker. Also, upon motion of Claude Bass, a former student and loyal supporter and friend of Mississippi College, a part of an accumulated fund was by unanimous vote added to the free-will offering. If one has never sampled the fruits of the culinary art of Mrs. Jones, he ought to get himself invited into that home sometime. It was a good day for Mississippi College and its representative.

"What Pat Would Want"

On December 23, 1944, First Lieut. Patrick Henry (Pat) Wilkinson, who was among the first to leave the campus in answer to his country's call, went out over Germany on his

The Mendenhall Baptist Church features an all girls choir at the Sunday evening services.

Front row from left to right: Sidney Doty, director; Elma P. Walker pianist; Doris Martin, Mary George Curry, Nita Fay Grantham, Jean Martin, Mattie May Wiggington, Phetus McLennan, Louise Toney. Back row from left to right: Adeline Knight, Sue Edwards, Ella Mae Toney, Sue Ponder, Francis Buckley, Bobbie Wiggington, Jean Pickering, Velma Lee Smith.

tenth mission. He never returned and now sleeps in the province of Luxembourg. He leaves a wife, Frances Wise Wilkinson, and a precious little girl, of Jackson, Miss. A memorial service was held for him in Gloster, Sunday evening, June 24. We were invited to bring the message. The churches of the town called off their services and joined the Baptist congregation in paying honor to the memory of this patriotic youth whose life was so full of promise. He was planning to return to Mississippi College to complete his college course and to further prepare to become a religious educational director; but he seemed to have been chosen along with a multitude of others to become a sacrifice for bringing in a new world order and a better day. As we left the service, Frances, his widow, handed us a check for the Enlargement Program, saying as she did, "I believe this is what Pat would want me to do." Such sacrifice will not go unrewarded and will insure the success of the expansion program of Mississippi College.

What Wiser Investment?

Through the interest of our faithful and long-time trustee, Dr. W. A. Sullivan, of Natchez, and the generosity of Mr. L. T. Ventress and his sister, Mrs. Charlotte Ventress Bryan, of Woodville, sole heirs-at-law of T. C. Holmes, deceased, late of Adams county, we are just in receipt of five shares of preferred stock in the Mississippi Power and Light Company, valued at \$512, and \$132.72 in cash, making a total of \$644.72, to be applied to the endowment of the Patterson Memorial Chair of Bible and

LEADERS POOL BSU PLANS

(Continued from Page One)

Among those present were:

Miss Dorothy Lee Jefferson, state BSU president; Dr. J. D. Ray, pastor, Starkville church; Rev. Harold Douglas, BSU secretary, Mississippi State; Rev. Chester Moulder, BSU secretary, Mississippi Southern; Miss Betty Jane Hammert, BSU secretary at Sunflower Junior College; Miss Marian Leavell, Ole Miss BSU secretary; Miss Margaret McClellan, student secretary of M. S. C. W.; Dr. J. D. Franks, pastor, First church, Columbus; Rev. W. A. Hogan, pastor, Decatur church; Woody Watkins, student counselor, Baptist Orphanage; David Mayhall, treasurer of State BSU Council; Dr. Dorothy McCoy, faculty advisor of Belhaven BSU; Dr. John Newport, pastor, Clinton church, and Dr. Claud Bowen, pastor, Calvary church, Jackson.

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The Baptist Record appreciates a nice club of subscriptions from Ebenezer church, Amite county. Lester White, clerk, sent the list.

Evangelism. What wiser investment could a person make than insuring the teaching of the Word of Truth in a genuine Christian college.

More Gifts

The Midway church, Yalobusha county, with David Grant, who graduated here on June 18, as pastor, voted recently \$100 for the Enlargement Program.

We have just received this note from a dear and long-time friend of the college: "I am very much interested in your Enlargement Program and am enclosing a check to be used as you think best." (Signed) "Oliver M. Johnston." Dr. Johnston has reflected honor and glory upon his Alma Mater for over half a century.

From Lt. Hartwell McPhail, USNR, serving in the Pacific area, comes this cheerful note: "Enclosed is my small contribution to the Enlargement Program."

Oak Grove Makes Progress



B. D. HARDIN

During 1944 Oak Grove church, Meridian, made many progressive steps according to Pastor B. D. Hardin. The Sunday school became Standard for the first time.

Repair work amounting to \$2,000 was done on the building and grounds. A church library with excellent books was installed. A church bulletin made its appearance each week. Of the 21 additions to the church 11 for baptism. The per capita gifts amounted to \$33.25. This led all Meridian churches and also all churches of Lauderdale county in per capita gifts to all causes.

There have been 11 additions to the church during 1945. About 40 per cent of the resident members are tithers and 25 per cent of all regular receipts will go to the Cooperative Program.

The church has adopted the EVERY FAMILY Plan of The Baptist Record.

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WANTED: Used church pews. Bethel Baptist Church. Anyone having any for sale please contact Rev. M. P. Jones, pastor, Box 211, Hazlehurst, Mississippi.

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SISTERS IN BMC 1944-45



Fourteen sets of sisters are enrolled at Blue Mountain College this session. Twelve sets are shown in the above picture. First row, left to right: Mildred Maxwell, Booneville; Clara and Jewell Breazelle, Ethel; Grace and Gladys Allen, Louisville; Ella and Lucille Thomas, Millington, Tenn. Second row: Elizabeth Ann Maxwell, Booneville; Miriam and Mildred Ellers, Harrodsburg, Ky.; Jean and Mary Jane Ratcliff, Lumberton; Sue and Jeffie Boatman, Maben. Third row: Arlene and Mary Ruth Smith, Blue Mountain; Charlene and Betty Lou McNeil, Bristol, Va. Top row: Norma Jean and Carolyn Hudson, New Albany; Waurene Weatherly and Mrs. Marguerite Weatherly Mathis, Lamar; Sara and Mary Julia Sudduth, Sallis.

American Baptist Seminary Needs Listed

E. P. Alldredge
Chairman of Commission, Nashville

On the 14th of April, 1944, the Board of Directors elected Ralph Waldo Riley of Montgomery, Ala., as president. Dr. Riley is a young man of splendid personality, well trained and widely experienced as a pastor. He began his administration last June, giving direction to the summer semester of the Seminary in which were enrolled 36 students who did regular seminary work for twelve weeks.

Two new teachers were secured, Garland Offutt, Kentucky, who received his Master's degree from the Southern Seminary last June, the first Negro ever to do so, and W. Henderson Barton, pastor of Edgefield church, Nashville (for part time).

The Seminary has had an enrollment of 63 students, hailing from seventeen different states. This represents a gain of 20 over last year.

Less than 4 per cent of the 24,000 active Negro Baptist preachers in America have anything like adequate scholastic training. What is to become of our Baptist work among the Negro people, unless this situation is changed speedily?

Before the opening of the next regular session, September 24, we desperately need a two-story class-room building, to cost \$60,000, which would make room for 28 more students this fall. Out of the 2 per cent received from the Co-operative Program, the Seminary has been able to pay our half of its operating expenses, purchase and pay for 18 acres of good alfalfa land for the Seminary's farm and set aside \$10,000 for the proposed new building.

POLYANSKY REPORTS ON BAPTIST WORK IN RUSSIA

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Moscow—(By Wireless)—Personal contact between Baptists in Soviet Russia and Baptist delegations from other countries must wait until the newly formed Baptist and Evangelical Christian Council has become more completely organized, Ivan V. Polyansky, chairman of the Soviet Council on Affairs of Religious Cults, declared here.

The Soviet official revealed that Baptist groups abroad, including the Baptist World Alliance, the Baptist Union in Washington, D. C., the South American Baptist Union the Russian Evangelical Union in America, and the Russian Baptist organization.

He announced that within a few weeks a new Baptist and Evangelical Christian bi-monthly magazine (the Brotherhood Messenger) will appear.

The council, Polyansky stated, has made considerable progress since its organization last year. He said the main activity of Baptist groups at present is registration of congregations and membership.

Many Baptist communities are being located in such regions as the Ukraine, and two members of the Central Council have been sent to Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania to examine the situation there. Recently the vice-chairman, M. A. Orlov, visited Kursk province.

Polyansky said the Baptist Council has begun to appoint special area representatives, and has already delegated regional leaders in Kiev, Kornoukhov, Krasnador, north Caucasus, and Byelorussia. Rev. G. L. Gullett, pastor, has joined the growing list of Baptist Record churches.

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Mrs. Pearl Marie Anderson, treasurer, Woolmarket church, Biloxi, recently sent a nice list of 15 renewal subscriptions.

Brazilian Baptists Number 79,000

W. E. Allen, Missionary to Brazil

The men and women who go from this country as foreign missionaries do not leave the U. S. A. merely to satisfy the craving for adventure. The response to the call of God to the foreign fields often becomes a romantic experience to many who have heard and have been willing to go.

The lives of W. B. Bagby and Anne Luther Bagby were fraught with many dangerous and unpredictable experiences in the early days of their labors in Brazil. Together with the Z. C. Taylors, and others, they ventured into the unknown, for they believed it was in God's purpose for the Brazilians to hear of the saving grace in Christ Jesus.

These early missionaries were the trail blazers in pioneer days, and their lives testify to the romantic nature of their great service for the Master.

After approximately sixty-three years of labor, Brazilian Baptists number close to seventy-nine thousand.

A glimpse of the present situation in Brazil might be summed up as follows:

The Brazilian people are interested in almost everything that is American, for they also are Americans—Latin Americans. The word "American" often works like magic in most any circumstance.

There is much that is unflattering to America in the eyes and ears of Brazilians such as they see and draw conclusions from in the movies.

We have reason to feel proud of our rich Christian heritage in the U. S. A. and the Christian integrity that has grown out of this background. It is for this that our brother across the equator admires us.

The use of our Christian schools by parents of the highest social circles

Ohio Legislature Defeats Christian Science Practitioners

RNS—For the third time in four years a bill to permit Christian Science practitioners to charge fees for their work was defeated in the House of the Ohio Legislature.

The vote was 59 in favor, to 53 opposed, with 69 votes required for passage of the measure.

Chief opposition to the proposal was voiced by Rep. Ralph Diferd, who told the House that "it is not within the power of man to assume the divine power and say, 'You shall be healed—that will be \$25,' and that the 'dollar sign should not be hung upon the cross of Christ."

Among others who attacked the bill was the Rev. Jacob Ashburn who asserted that passage of the bill would open the door to the practice of healing by all types of unqualified individuals, and that it would lower the standards of the medical profession.

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GLADYS WOOD

Miss Gladys Wood is the faithful and efficient secretary of the Louisville Baptist Church, having served this church in this capacity for nearly a year and a half. She came to us from the State Board of Health in Jackson, Mississippi.

Miss Wood is a graduate of the Louisville High school and attended Blue Mountain College for several years specializing in English and commerce. While in college she participated in several of the religious activities. The pastor and people are very proud to have Miss Wood as office secretary. She is doing a splendid job in this capacity and adds materially to the efficiency and fruitfulness of the various organizations and programs of the church. In addition to her duties as office secretary, she is active in the Sunday school, the Training Union, Y. W. A., and the business women's circle.

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W. H. Gardner of Hopewell church, Scott county, recently sent a nice list of renewal subscriptions.

in order that their children may learn the true meaning of honesty and morality is but one evidence of this fact.

The missionaries in their educational work were spoken of by members of the United States consular staff in Porto Alegre as being the finest example of bearers of the Good Neighbor policy.

BAPTIST TRAINING UNION Durant Baptists Dedicate Church

Auber J. Wilds, State Secretary - Box 530, Jackson 105, Mississippi
 Associates: Miss Louise Hill, Miss Clarice Conner
 Miss Nella Dean Mitchell, Mrs. L. R. Williams

Lafayette County Churches Enjoy Services of Miss Conner

Five of the Lafayette county churches are having the pleasure of having Miss Clarice Conner of the Training Union Department with them this month. New Prospect came first having their work June 10-15; Oxford, 17-22; Anchor, 24-29. This week she is at Clear Creek and next week she will serve the Shiloh church. She goes to Marshall county then and for the month of August will be in Alcorn county. Union West church in Lafayette will also have a worker the fourth week in July, thus giving special work to six churches in this association.

Oxford Has Enlargement Campaign

The week of June 17-22 was an interesting week for the Oxford church. It was the first time in the vacation season the church had undertaken a campaign, but Director Grice thought the Training Union needed this additional emphasis and so it was on. Rev. Howard Aultman, pastor of the Holly Springs church, was the director of the campaign and taught the Adult Manual. Rev. Riley Munday, state Baptist student secretary, taught the class for young people using Baptist Young People's Administration. Miss Lucy Carleton Wilds, Baptist student secretary of Blue Mountain College, taught the Intermediate Manual, and Miss Clarice Conner, state Training Union worker, taught the Junior Manual. The first thirty minutes each evening was given to inspiration led by Brother Aultman, and it was a high tide period. Class work followed and an after session conference was held with the leadership where goals were set and plans made for enlargement. It was a great week, and counted as a success, thanks to the fine cooperation given by pastor, people, and special workers.

Work starts in earnest this week as our special summer workers add their talent and time to our Training Union task. We are not able to answer every call, but as far as possible we are giving a worker to the churches that want one during July and August. Pray for power.

Hattiesburg First to Have a "Little Ridgecrest" of Their Own

First Baptist Church, Hattiesburg, is planning a three day "retreat" for their members July 23, 24, 25. This will be held at Camp Dantzler, about eighteen miles from Hattiesburg. A highly interesting program has been planned with some special guests who will teach and speak, including Rev. Wayne Todd, Mrs. H. M. Harris, Dr. John Newport and Miss Nella Dean Mitchell. Accommodations for 150 people overnight is possible, and in addition to a full house for all time they will have a number of others driving out for the night services. Thanks to Miss Annie Averett, educational director of the church, for this news item. We hope to give a report on the retreat later.

Pa: Well, son, how are your marks?
 Son: They're under water.

Pa: What do you mean, "under water"?

Son: Below C level.

Doctor: "Hm-m. You certainly have acute tonsilitis."

Bette: "Oh, doctor, you flatter me."

For sale—A violin, by a young man in good condition except for a loose peg in the head.

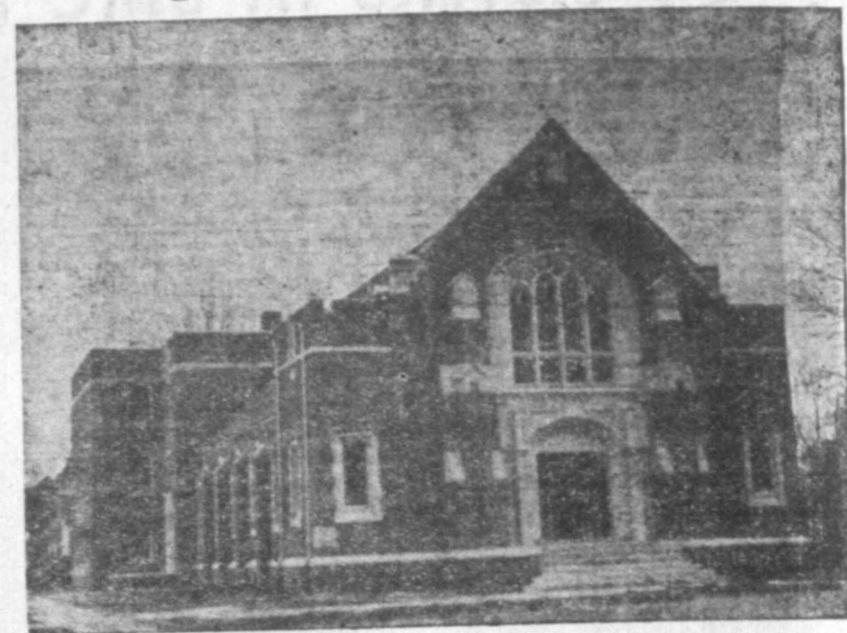
These and lots of other good laughs in the Baptist Training Union Magazine. And did you know—every leader in every department of the Training Union can find a store of helpful suggestions that can be used right in your very own union, the using of which will put new life into the work, and doesn't your union need a little NEW LIFE? Why go on being sick when you can get good medicine so easily.

"Kill the summer slump with a summer HUMP."

One Intermediate Union has as a special feature EVERY Sunday night a "Current Missionary Event." This special officer gets these from everywhere. The "Commission," the "Baptist Home Missions," "The Baptist Record," "The Training Union Magazine." All these furnish scores of good stories that make the possibility of the idea possible and profitable. It usually takes only a couple of minutes to give it, and sometimes it is accompanied with a picture of a place, missionary, or natives.

This is a New Quarter

This is a new quarter! You leaders know what that means don't you? Report time. Just fill in the blank in the back of your Quarterly and send it in to our office. Did your union reach the standard? WHY NOT? Why not go right to work on that point NOW and get it off hand so it will not be a handicap to you this new quarter. ONE POINT SO MANY UNIONS FAIL ON is "Practical Missions." This should be the one point that would challenge each union the most—putting our training into action. Do not let this keep you off the standard.



A. L. Stevens, Robert Irby, Rev. Niles Puckett, Miss Pearl Magee.

The building committee of the new church was W. P. Taylor, chairman; R. E. Irby, Mrs. S. C. Ray and J. T. Neely. The finance committee was J. O. Ritter, chairman; W. H. Jones, Mrs. C. W. Myers, R. E. Irby and the late S. C. Ray.



By Hazel Braunton

Durant's beautiful new Baptist church was dedicated Sunday, May 27, in an inspiring service in which members of all denominations in Durant participated. Dr. T. L. Holcomb, executive secretary of the Baptist Sunday School Board in Nashville, Tenn., preached the stirring dedicatory sermon. His message was contained in the text, "He Must Reign."

Dr. Holcomb's first pastorate as a young minister of the gospel was the Durant Baptist Church and he married a Durant girl. A wide circle of personal friends, many of whom he baptized, were present for this great occasion.

The Durant church has a lovely auditorium and a three-story Sunday school building. It will serve the needs of Durant Baptists for many years. The church was built and first used in 1941 after the old one had been destroyed by fire.

The entire bonded indebtedness of the church has been retired nine and one-half years ahead of schedule and all members of the church are rejoicing in this splendid record.

Members of the Durant church are planning now to buy as soon as possible a pipe organ for the church and carpets for the church floors. They do not plan to slacken on their church obligations because the building has been paid for but rather plan to continue the good work. Our main present regret is that we are losing our pastor, Dr. J. Niles Puckett and his family.

In addition to Dr. Holcomb, the following took part in the morning and evening program: Rev. H. S. Robinson, Presbyterian pastor; Rev. W. P. Bailey, Methodist pastor; J. E. Ham,

Orchids To Marion

Mississippi Baptists are much indebted to Marian Leavell for her genuinely significant work through these years as B. S. U. secretary for Ole Miss. This writer has always appreciated Marian's work, but a recent visit to Oxford and the Ole Miss campus heightened this appreciation to the point of enthusiasm.

Miss Leavell has consistently done her work unobtrusively and without fanfare; yet, she has honored the very genius of the B. S. U. concept in keeping the Baptist Student Union work of Ole Miss centered in the local church and intensely loyal to the local church. Though this writer's appointment was with the Oxford Baptist Church, he found that the Baptist students who are active in the program of B. S. U. were as enthusiastic for the week of services as if it were purely a student project. This response on their part is typical of the loyalty which Marian Leavell has both taught and practised through her splendid years of service and leadership there.

And, though the total number may not be colossal, it is both surprising and inspiring to recall the galaxy of outstanding college men and women of the last decade who have been made more worthwhile to our cherished denomination's cause through the effective work of the Baptist Student Union of Ole Miss. Three cheers and a great, big orchid to Marian Leavell.—Chester Swor.

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 Washington, D. C.—(RNS)—President Truman has been petitioned by the general conference of Seventh-Day Adventists to recall the Myron Taylor mission to the Vatican and end its existence. The resolution was signed by J. L. McElhaney, president, and E. D. Dick, secretary, of the general conference.

Nashville, Tenn.—(RNS)—The executive committee of the Southern Baptist Convention "most earnestly" petitioned "our government to withdraw its allotments of sugar and other essential food products to brewers and distillers," in adopting a resolution presented by Dr. Louie D. Newton, Atlanta, Ga., pastor and member of the committee.

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Free Nursery Offer

The Sunday School Board, through its Sunday School Department, offers to provide, without cost to the churches, the necessary supplies and materials for the organization of a Nursery Department.

Further information can be secured by writing to either the state Sunday School Department or to the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville 3, Tenn. We hope many churches will take advantage of this free offer of the Sunday School Board to aid in the organization of Nursery Departments to care more properly for their little children.

Progress in Lauderdale

The progress made in the Vacation Bible school work in Lauderdale Association during the last several years has been most gratifying, indeed.

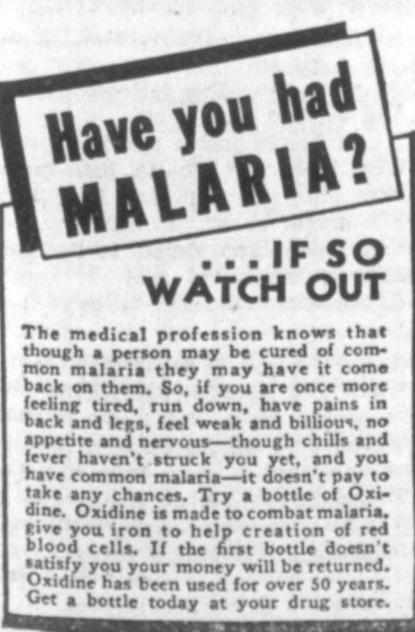
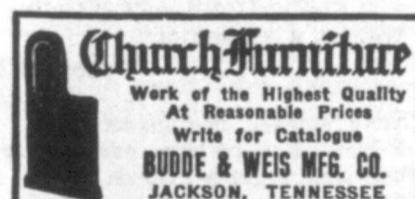
In a recent letter from the associational Sunday school superintendent, Mr. W. B. Lowry, of Meridian, we note that several years ago when the state Sunday School Department furnished a worker to aid the Vacation Bible school work in Lauderdale county, that it was necessary for her to work in five of the city schools in Meridian, both in order that she might have some place to work each week,

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Marion, Alabama



and also in order to have a school in each of the city churches. There were eleven schools that year in the entire association.

What of the situation now? Just this: nineteen or more of the churches will put on schools this summer without any outside help at all. In 1943 each of the 32 churches had a Vacation Bible school. In 1944 there were 30 church schools and one mission school. This year the goal is again 100% and the prospects are exceedingly bright for reaching it.

It all goes to show what a long-range program with plenty of good planning, lots of contact work, and plenty of good, old, every-day pluck and work will accomplish.

Mr. Lowry has certainly been the main spring of it all, too.

American Bible Society

The American Bible Society is doing a monumental work over the world in the distribution of the Holy Scriptures. Eternity alone will reveal all the good that has come because people in so many places have come in contact with the Word of God, and through the reading and study of it have come to know the God of the Book. The business and work of the American Bible Society is to distribute as many Bibles and Testaments to as many people in as many places each year as possible.

During 1944 the Society distributed 12,403,541 volumes of the Scriptures, the largest number in a single year in its long history. Of these, 825,857 were whole Bibles, larger by 65% than any previous year.

Also, they reached a new record in the supply of Scriptures to the armed forces—260,109 Bibles, 1,557,667 Testaments and 931,298 gospels and other portions, a total of 2,749,074 volumes.

Again, a new record was made in the distribution in Latin America with 133,816 Bibles, 233,760 Testaments and 3,247,444 portions, a total of 3,615,020 volumes. And, 13,279 embossed volumes and talking book records for the blind were also given, surpassing that of any year of the 110 of service.

For lifeboats and liferafts of the navy and the merchant marine and for rubber rafts of the navy airplanes and Flying Fortresses, 22,631 New Testaments in waterproof containers for men adrift at sea were given. For prisoners of war in Europe and America 306,169 volumes in 40 languages were made available.

The American Bible Society also inaugurated the Nationwide Bible Reading between Thanksgiving and Christmas, with some 14,000,000 lists of Scripture passages reaching servicemen and their families.

And yet—the Society had to leave unmet more opportunities for the expansion of the program of worldwide scripture distribution than in any previous year. How very great indeed is the need here!

Our churches now have an opportunity to make a financial offering to this worthy cause of scripture distribution by the American Bible Society. Do not fail to have a part in it. The Sunday school of each church can give great emphasis to this offering also.

Do this at once!

Chaplain Douglass Receives Bronze Star

We have received notice that Chaplain Edgar L. Douglass, Hqs. 70 Field Hospital, A. P. O. 689, c/o Postmaster, New York, has been awarded the Bronze Star for participation in the Burma campaign. Chaplain Douglass is a Mississippian and former pastor at Hollandale. He was graduate from Mississippi College in 1922 (A. B.) and from Southwestern Seminary in 1930 (Th.M.).

A few weeks ago The Baptist Record had a letter from Chaplain Douglass from which we quote as follows:

"Although I have been out of Mississippi since you became editor of The Baptist Record, I have watched with keen interest your work. I want to congratulate you on the fine job you are doing. You are putting out a very newsy, informing, and well edited paper. It has been gratifying to me to see the continued increase in circulation. The last issue of The Baptist Record I've received, which came last night, was of the December 7 issue. As I read the list of the churches and individuals who made possible the retiring of the debt many fond memories came to my mind of my association with these people and some of the churches in the years gone by."

In a later letter he said:

"I read your quotation from The Spotlight, Minneapolis, in the February 15 number of The Baptist Record.

CHANGES AMONG THE CHURCHES

By Rev. Leon V. Young, Clinton, Miss.

Called and Accepted

J. P. Fortenberry, Newton, Texas, from Kirteville.

T. D. Douglass, Kilbourne, La., from Urbana, Ark.

Dinzel Proubus, Lebanon, Ky., from Owensboro.

Roy A. Hamilton, Sand Springs, Ky.

H. B. Kuhnle, U. S. chaplain from 23rd and Broadway, Louisville, Ky.

A. M. Senter, Prosperity, Tenn.

C. J. McCaghren, Franklin, La.

Byron B. Cox, First, Crowley, La., from Cleveland, Texas.

Cecil Meadows, First, San Seba, Tex., from First, England, Ark.

W. M. Hinesley, Brookland, Ark.

H. A. James, Sperry, Okla.

W. J. Nance, Arkoma, Okla.

Jess F. Hunt, Erick, Okla., from Greenwood, Texas.

Truman Cox, Yates church, Durham, N. C., from Danville, Va.

E. R. Barlett, Emma Grove, N. C., from Fletcher.

W. T. Adams, Greensboro, N. C., from Yadkinville.

Benj. R. Brunner, First, Hollywood, Fla.

Henry C. Rogers, assistant pastor, First, Dallas, Texas, from First, Lincolnton, N. C.

H. B. Stembidge, First, Paducah, Ky., from First, Paris, Tenn.

J. H. Ivey, Second, Richmond, Va.

J. H. Lanken, First, Wichita Falls from First, Bryan, Texas.

W. D. Wyatt, First, Muskogee, Okla., from College Avenue, Fort Worth, Tex.

R. L. Jenkins, Bangs, Texas, from Friona.

Tom Keenan, Riverside, Houston, Texas, from Knox City.

G. R. Reynolds, Prairie, Noblesville, Ind., from Maysville, Ky.

Rogers Nelson, Main Street, Christiansburg, Va.

P. E. Lester, Hopewell church, Camilla, Ga., from First, Greenville, Fla.

E. B. Hiscks, Southside, Concord, N. C., from Harmony.

James S. Potter, Apex, N. C.

James H. Oakley, Egypt church,

There is not a chaplain in the army more opposed to the policy of the army handling beer for its personnel than I. Nevertheless this article is misleading and we need to keep the records straight.

"It is true that with the monthly rations for each soldier there are included beer and cigarettes. These rations are drawn through the Post Exchange for every man in the organization. The army does not require the soldiers to take these rations. If a soldier does not drink beer he is not required to buy it. There are always those who drink who are glad to get this man's beer. The same thing is true of cigarettes. The army also sends what is known as jungle rations for each officer in this theater. This ration includes a quart of whiskey each month. I do not drink and I have never taken the ration of beer or whiskey that is available for me. The same is true of many other officers and enlisted men in my organization.

"I do not know the organization of the soldier who wrote this letter to his mother, but since I happen to be in the same theater I know the requirements here. The army does not force any soldier to buy beer and then re-sell it again, thus making him a liquor dealer. It is there for him but if he doesn't want it he doesn't have to take it. Let us be honest about these things."

Memphis, from Belclair church, Memphis.

Preston L. Ramsey, First, Somerset, Ky., from First, Covington.

J. Fred Wesner, Watson, Ark.

Rex Brown, First, Leachville, Ark., from Illinois.

H. H. Henry, Colgate, Okla., from Rocky.

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BELTON, TEXAS—Miss Christine Wright, Corinth, Miss., has been added to the faculty at Mary Hardin-Baylor College, the oldest college for women west of the Mississippi river, according to President Gordon G. Singleton. Miss Wright is a graduate of Blue Mountain College and holds the M. A. degree with a major in English from the University of Mississippi. She is at present teaching in the Corinth High school and has formerly taught in Columbia High school.

One of the finest contributions to Southwestern Seminary recently has been the gift of \$25,000 to the Truett-Scarborough Memorial by Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Hadley of Texarkana.

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FORKVILLE CHURCH DEDICATED



Members of the Forkville church are rejoicing as they face what is expected to be their best year, after their church was dedicated on January 7 with special services. The pastor, R. H. Daniels, brought the message at the morning hour, and Dr. A. A. Kitchings of Clinton preached in the afternoon.

The Forkville church promotes a progressive program. They average about 20 additions per year. The educational and missionary organizations function effectively under the leadership of wide awake leaders. Contributions to all causes this year will doubtless exceed any three years in the church's history, and Pastor Daniels and the people are encouraged over the future.



MISS SYBIL DEWEES

Miss Sybil Deweese of Philadelphia and until recently secretary-educational director of the Carthage church began her work as secretary-educational director of the Crystal Springs church on June 17. Miss Deweese is a graduate of Hillman and Blue Mountain Colleges and in addition to her work at Carthage has taught school in the state and served as a field worker with the state Sunday

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"FIGHTING FOR RELIGIOUS LIBERTY," SAYS CHAPLAIN

It has been sometime since I have dropped you a note. However, to-night I would like to write to you concerning a matter which is heavy upon my heart. Since I read the action of the Southern Baptist Convention on the matter of Baptist missionary endeavor in Latin America I have fully realized the seriousness of the situation. Therefore, I am writing you as a member of the First Baptist Church, Jackson, Mississippi. I am thankful for the privilege of doing so, recognizing it to be one of the basic principles of our Baptist faith.

I have read everything I could find on the subject in Baptist, Protestant, Roman Catholic and secular press dispatches. I am convinced that only God's leadership will give us the Christian solution. One of the most forceful presentations of the subject appeared in the June 22nd issue of the Alabama Christian Advocate. It

is a lengthy article by Dr. Harold A. Bosley, pastor of Mount Vernon Place Methodist Church, Baltimore, Maryland. Both sides of the issue are discussed frankly and clearly. To me, it boils down to the question of religious liberty and the present attitude of the Roman Catholic hierarchy is a direct challenge to the constitution of the United States, to the principles of the Good Neighbor policy and the purpose of the Four Freedoms. We should fight for our cause. Every Southern Baptist should gear himself for a fight against these principles which seek to dominate the Christian world.

It has been a year since I last saw my homeland. During this time I have been in countries predominantly Roman Catholic. I have been privileged to study at first hand many of the practices of this faith. I have listened to the discussions concerning the practices of the hierarchy in world affairs. Upon pressure from the Vatican, the concordat with Mussolini restored the Roman Catholic faith as the state church and in so doing sealed further missionary endeavors here, although there are evangelical churches carrying on. I feel that I am fighting for the principle of religious liberty for all men everywhere. This liberty guaranteeing to all men the privilege of worshiping God without any force being exerted upon them, either by the church or by the state. There must be complete separation of the church and state. If one group is denied the opportunity to evangelize its interpretation of Christ, whatever these interpretations may be, then the principle of religious liberty is violated. Further, I believe that the presence of Mr. Myron Taylor at the Vatican is contradictory to the principle of the separation of church and state. Theoretically, he is not an official representative of our President. I am wondering whether he could do more for our President if he held the title of ambassador? I doubt it very much. Why should our nation feel that it must consult one church and ignore the cause of another? Why not give equal consideration to the principles of the Baptists, Methodists and other evangelical bodies in our country? This problem is a serious one and it should be the subject of

many sermons, articles and discussions among our people.

Sir, this is not written in the name of the chaplaincy but as the opinion of a Southern Baptist. I am unable to take a lead in this matter right now, because of my connection with the army, but after I have returned to my pastorate you may count on my active interest in an equitable solution of this serious problem. Let us continue to pray for the leadership of our heavenly Father in this matter.

I am enjoying my work to the fullest. At the present time we are just taking things easy, but sooner or later we will be busy again. The Baptist Record continues to be a blessing to me.

May God bless you in your work, is my prayer.

Yours in His service,
CHARLIE A. WEBB,
Captain, Cr. C.

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G. A.'s FROM NEW ZION CHURCH

The girls in the picture above are members of the Girl's Auxiliary of New Zion church, Copiah county. Their counselor is Mrs. J. Hubert Hammett. Front row, left to right: Faye Gaddy, Idelle Thornton, Jane Thornton, Winnie Rogers and Mary Lynn Davis; second row: Mary Lynn Thornton (vice-president), Onzelle Manning (secretary), Lavera Drew (president), Lucille Thornton, Mrs. J. Hubert Hammett; back row: Evelyn Ayers, Fannie Ruth Thornton, Minnie Lee Thornton and Irma Lee Rogers. Rev. J. Hubert Hammett is pastor.

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Many will regret to learn of the death of Jack Richardson, son of Chaplain James C. Richardson. All that is known is that he was reported "killed in action on March 22 in Germany." Chaplain Richardson, who is somewhere in the Pacific, has three other sons in service.



Answers on Page Fifteen

1. For many years sandals have been used as a protection of the feet, instead of heavy heeled leather shoes. In Gen. 14:23, sandles were so cheap they were insignificant. What do you know of Bible sandals?

2. The word "Onycha," meaning and pronounced "Onika," found in the Bible, had an important use by our Lord. Can you tell what it was, and to what important purposes it was used?

3. There are many different kinds of taxes all of us have to pay with the coin of the realm. How do our payments compare with tax payments in Bible times?

4. Some people often speak of the "new moon." Many of us pay no attention to it at all. In the Bible it was celebrated very much. Can you explain why this was honored?

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—Prov. 1:10, 17.

So come on, girlie, be a sport!

Why longer hesitate?

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You'll be quite up-to-date!

You may not like me right at first,

But very soon, I'll bet,

You'll find you just can't get along

Without a cigarette!

—Prov. 1:15, 2a.

You've smoked one package, so

I know I've nothing now to fear

When once I get a grip on girls,

They're mine for life, my dear!

Your freedom you began to lose,

The very day we met,

When I convinced you it was smart,

To smoke a cigarette!

—Prov. 1:23.

The color's fading from your cheeks;
Your finger-tips are stained;

And now you'd like to give me up,

But sister, you are chained!

You even took a drink last night—

I thought you would ere long,

For those whom I enslave soon lose

Their sense of right and wrong.

—Prov. 2:19; 23:31, 32.

Year after year I've fettered you
And led you blindly on
Till now you're just a bunch of nerves,
With looks and health both gone.
You're pale and thin, and have a cough
The doctor says, "T. B."
He says you can't expect to live much
Longer, thanks to me!

—Prov. 1:30-32.

But it's too late to worry now!
When you became my slave,
You should have known the chances
Were you'd fill an early grave.
And now that I have done my part
To send your soul to hell,
I'll leave you with my partner, Death—
He'll come for you, Farewell.

—Prov. 7:24-28.

—Author Unknown.

Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by Hight C. Moore

Lesson for July 8, 1945 MAN'S FAILURES AND GOD'S PROMISES Genesis 3-9

The story of man from creation to the flood is featured by the loss of Eden through sin, the beginnings of a civilization that degenerated, and the list of generations from Adam to Noah. The flood was due to the wickedness of the human race; but through the building of the ark, as God directed, Noah was saved from the ruin of the inhabited earth, and upon the abatement of the waters he erected his altar on the threshold of a new world and entered into covenant with God.

Notes Analytical and Expository

1. Justice condemned the old world for its wickedness. Note: (1) A wicked world. The race had multiplied and advanced wonderfully. But men's thoughts were evil only and continually. Hence the earth was rent with violence and strife. (2) A righteous man. His name was Noah. He found grace in the eyes of the Lord. He was a preacher of righteousness (2 Peter 2:5), a reformer who set his face against the sins of his time. He was a prophet who foretold the overthrow of wickedness and pleaded with his fellow men so insistently that, according to Josephus, he was afraid they would kill him. (3) A grieved Creator. In might He had made the world and in mercy He had maintained mankind for eighteen to twenty centuries. Why did He now determine to destroy man from the face of the earth? It was a decree of mercy to total humanity as well as a blade of justice upon the millions who themselves were cutting each other to pieces. It also gave the strongest possible expression to the divine estimate of sin and left a monumental warning for ages to come. Yet righteousness, though embodied in the minority, is indestructible with the mass. (4) A saving ark. Therein gracious provision was made for Noah as a man of obedience and of faith. By his wicked fellow men the ark-builder was regarded as visionary; and when, announcing a forthcoming flood, he and his family with a multitude of animals entered the ark there was doubtless a storm of ridicule.

2. Judgment cleansed the whole world of impenitence. Note: (1) The destroying deluge. Noah's faith had its test and its triumph. There was a whole week of waiting within the ark before there was any sign of the prophesied flood. But then the downpouring rains met and mingled with the upbursting fountains and the inflowing seas. First, the plains were covered; then the valleys were filled; and now the mountains were submerged by the swiftly uprising waters. For forty days and nights the pouring rain and the heaving deep wrought steadily. For five months the

ark was upborne until the submergence of evil and the recleansing of the world were accomplished. (2) The assuaging waters. For five months the waters prevailed upon the earth, but during these weary months Noah and his family were free from harm and possessed of abundant provision. Finally, the submergence of a wicked race and the recleansing of the world were accomplished. So cloud and ocean were bidden to cease their work, and the destroying waters sank back to their accustomed places. (3) The resting ark. On the mountains of Ararat in the tableland of Armenia the ark was left at rest. For more than a year the inmates had been within its walls and oft no doubt their faith had been tried by the seeming delay and silence of the Lord who had shut them in. But in due season Noah and his family were bidden to emerge from the ark and repossess the renovated earth. (4) The saved family. In obedience to the command of God, Noah and the seven with him, together with all the animals that had been saved, "went forth out of the ark."

3. Mercy covenanted with the new world in its consecration. Beautiful is the story of the altar on the mountains and the bow in the cloud. We note: (1) The altar. Noah and his family and the animals had emerged from the ark to reoccupy the desolated earth and replenish the wasted world. A new dispensation began with Noah as the second head of the human race. Happily this new period opened with worship for Noah built an altar unto the Lord. (2) The offering. Including every clean beast and fowl that had been saved in the ark, the offering was large and liberal. The sacrifices upon the altar were burnt offerings which involved the complete consumption by fire of each animal entire. (3) The savor. From the altar ascended a sweet savor signifying that the offering was acceptable to God. (4) The preservation. A preacher of righteousness before the flood, and a patriarch of faith during the flood, Noah became after the flood the progenitor of mankind. His first act after leaving the ark was to set up the first altar mentioned in the Bible. And it was doubtless before the smoke of sacrifice died down that God declared that never again would He smite every living that as He had done in the deluge. (5) The promise. Not only should man and beast be saved from such a flood in the future, but also there would be given ample provision for the preservation and progress of the race. So the Lord determined that henceforth evil should be encountered not by a deluge of justice but by showers of mercy. Then came the rainbow covenant and command dealing particularly with human life in its transmission, its superiority, its support, and its protection.

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Pastor Edward L. Byrd has completed his first year as pastor of Highland church, Meridian. During the year there have been 172 additions, 92 by baptism. The total membership is now 883, a net gain of 119 during the year. Contributions were \$32,175. Of this amount \$15,870 went to mission causes. The church has a building fund of \$8,000. Recently eight acres of land were purchased for a prospective building site.

First church, Cleveland, Dr. Charles Treadway, pastor, has a building fund of \$20,525 in bonds.

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MISS McMAHAN

The First Baptist Church of Philadelphia, Mississippi, is delighted to welcome Miss Monte McMahan of Batesville, Mississippi, as director of religious education.

Miss McMahan was graduated from Batesville High school in 1940, and from Blue Mountain College in 1944 with a B. A. degree. She was active in all phases of college life, holding offices in her classes and in B. S. U. During her senior year she was president of the Student Government Association.

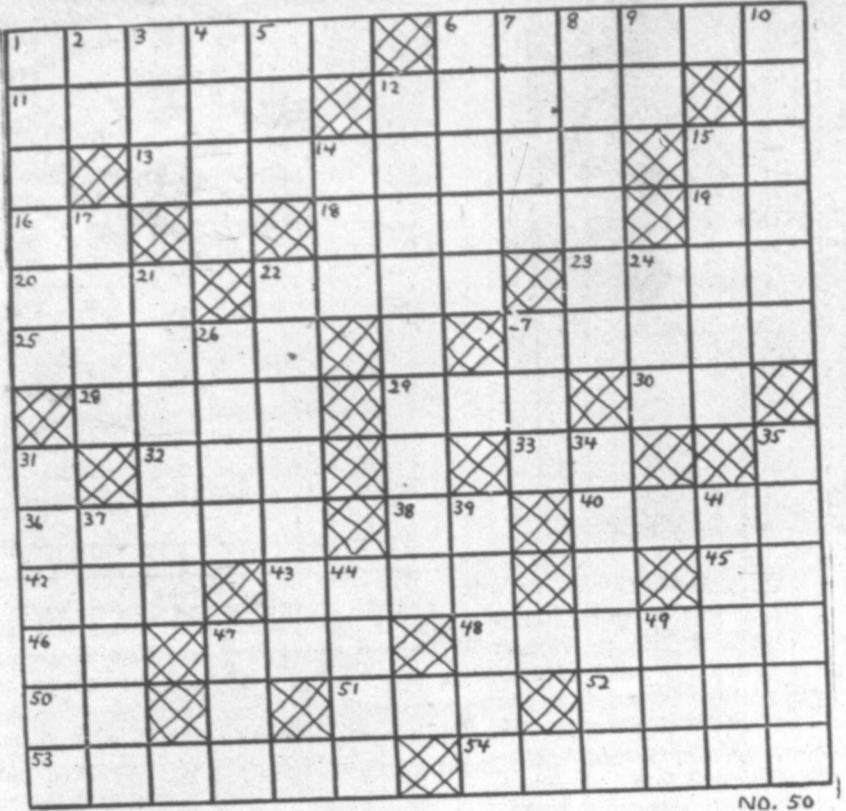
Miss McMahan was voted the friendliest student in 1943 and the student who best typified capability in 1944. She was presented the Nettie Courtney Paris Award (faculty award for the student who best exemplified the spirit of Blue Mountain College), and was included in 1944's Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities.

For the past year she has been a member of the Jonestown, Mississippi, High school faculty.

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Brother R. E. L. Polk of the Phalti church is replacing our church pews with new or better ones. This is a great contribution on his part, and the church appreciates his liberality. Since we have been unable to secure new pews, it is thought that some church in the state might have some used ones, in good condition, for sale. If so, we would like to hear from you. Write Brother R. E. L. Polk, Mount Olive, Route 2, Miss.—J. K. Moore, pastor.

The following have been recent visitors to The Baptist Record office: Rev. H. D. Booth, DeSoto; Rev. Percy Ray, Myrtle; D. C. Simmons, Jackson; Rev. D. W. Moulder, Forest; Rev. M. P. Jones, Hazlehurst; Mrs. C. J. Hughes, Summerland, Mrs. Jones, Summerland; Rev. C. B. Hamlet, III, Winona.

OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE



"And because he was of the same craft, he abode with them, and wrought for by their occupation they were tent makers."—Acts 18:3.

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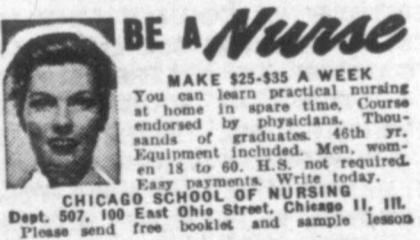
- 1 "I have cut off like a . . . my life," Isa. 38:12.
- 6 "Hath not the . . . power over the clay," Rom. 9:21.
- 11 A provider of food for Elijah.
- 12 A milk provider, Gen. 32:15.
- 13 "With the work of an . . . in stone," Ex. 28:11.
- 15 Egyptian sun god.
- 16 Tantalum.
- 18 Feminine proper name.
- 19 "we will set . . . our banners."
- 20 Emperor.
- 22 "up into the . . ." Ezek. 13:5.
- 23 Dealing out.
- 25 Rustic.
- 27 "Behold, a . . . went forth to sow."
- 28 Vex.
- 29 A famous builder, Matt. 24:38.
- 30 Judah's firstborn, Gen. 38:7.
- 32 Greek letter.
- 33 Country.
- 36 A workman engaged in repairing the temple, 2 Chron. 24:12.
- 38 Printer's measure.
- 40 Island off Scotland.
- 42 Interest.
- 43 A famous scribe and priest.
- 45 Prefix signifying "not."
- 46 Size of shot.
- 47 For.
- 48 Deprive of horns.
- 50 Part of a day.
- 51 King who had gout, 2 Chron. 16:21.
- 52 Irish.
- 53 Worker on a ship, Rev. 18:17.
- 54 Worker mentioned in Ezek. 5:1.

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- 1 "out of Zebulon they that handle the pen of the . . ." Judges 5:14.
- 2 Babylonian deity.
- 3 Salutation.
- 4 Opening.
- 5 Part of Great Britain.
- 6 Makes smooth.
- 7 Presage.
- 8 Genus of mollusks.
- 9 Thallium.
- 10 One of the workers mentioned in Christ's parable of the tares.
- 12 "Is not this the . . . the son of Mary," Mark 6:3.
- 14 Long narrow inlet.
- 15 "a man named Jairus, and he was a . . . of the synagogue."
- 17 River of East Asia.
- 21 Melchizedek "was the . . . of the most high God," Gen. 14:18.
- 22 Ruth was a . . . Ruth 2:17.
- 24 ". . . no man any thing."
- 26 Singing part.
- 27 53 across worked on this.
- 31 "and craftsmen and . . . a thousand,"

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MARGARET WILSON

Miss Margaret Wilson of Starkville is the new educational secretary at Forty-First Avenue Baptist Church, Meridian, of which Rev. Ray F. Dykes is the pastor. She will begin her work with the church June 15.

Miss Wilson is a graduate this year of Blue Mountain College where she won distinction in voice, religious activities and dramatics. She has also had considerable office experience, added to a major in commercial subjects. Her versatile abilities certainly beseem her well for her new duties in Forty-First Avenue, where she will direct leadership training, promote organizational work, and assist with the church music.

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Northern Baptists Plan
Rural Training Program

(By Religious News Service)

New York—A training program for country pastors has been inaugurated by the Northern Baptist Convention to improve rural church leadership, it was reported here by Dr. G. Pitt Beers, executive secretary of the American Baptist Home Mission Society.

Two rural pastors institutes, with 25 to 30 Baptist ministers enrolled, were held this spring at the Northern Baptist Assembly at Green Lake, Wisc., and at least two such schools will be held annually hereafter, Dr. Beers said.

Courses are given in rural church financing, organizing rural worship, rural community surveys, Christian education for children, and other phases of rural activities. Pastors enrolled in the classes also spend some time on actual farm duties.

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"Make Believe Visits," by Helen Meredith, Barranquilla, Colombia; Naomi Schell, Tobata, Japan; Ruth M. Kersey, Ogbomosho, Africa; Alice Speiden Moore, Rome, Italy; Lydia E. Greene, Canton, China, is one of the 1945 Foreign Mission

RESOLUTIONS CONCERNING
REV. J. H. STREET

Whereas, Reverend James H. Street has served the Hazlehurst Baptist Church as pastor since January 15, 1942, and during these years, our church has witnessed marvelous growth in membership, in unity and spiritual development and loyalty to both local and denominational enterprises; and

Whereas, under his leadership, our membership has paid the balance of a large debt incurred in the erection of our church building, prior to the maturity of said debt, thereby enabling us on the 6th of this month to dedicate our debt free house of worship, with all equipment likewise fully paid for; and

Whereas, our said pastor has recently been called to and accepted the work as secretary of the Baptist Brotherhood of Mississippi and feels that the Holy Spirit is leading him to resign the pastorate with us so as to give his full time to this larger denominational work, and at his request we are yielding to his judgment in this matter, but desire hereby to express our very great love for him and his family and our keen sense of loss in their going from us;

Therefore, Be it Resolved by the Hazlehurst Baptist Church, in conference assembled, that we hereby bear testimony to the superb character, to the tactful but courageous leadership of Brother Street, to his tireless energy, to his scholarly attainments and pleasing personality, to his sincere devotion to our Lord's kingdom, and to his great power in preaching the Word and in all other phases of the Gospel ministry. We commend him to the denomination of the state as one preeminently fitted not only for the work of a pastor, but also for the secretary's work of the Brotherhood.

Resolved further that we commend his most charming companion as one of the most efficient, capable and accomplished women of the state, deeply spiritual, unselfish, tactful, and thoroughly conversant with all kingdom enterprises. Likewise do we commend the other members of his fine family as those whom to know is but to love.

Resolved further that the earnest prayers of this congregation and our sincerest affections shall attend Brother Street and his loved ones in their new field of denominational activity.

Resolved further that a copy of the resolutions be spread upon the minutes of this church, that a copy be presented to Brother Street, and another be sent to the Baptist Record for publication.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. Guynes,
D. R. Sanderson,
R. E. Green,
Committee.

Board study course books for younger children. These five short stories, written by five of our missionaries, are make-believe visits to boys and girls in some of our foreign lands. They are presented in simple, attractive style that will appeal to children. From this little book with its many photographic illustrations our children will learn a great deal about the life, manners, and customs of children in other lands. The publisher is the Broadman Press and sells for 30c. Orders should be sent to the Baptist Book Store.

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. . . another residence hall at BLUE MOUNTAIN COLLEGE
The Demand for admission for the 1945-1946 session by young women is so great that more than one hundred choice girls must be turned away due to lack of dormitory space.

A gift of such a dormitory could be a memorial to an individual or a family. Within the building rooms, halls, and wings could be memorials to individuals.

Consider this possibility when making income tax returns this fall.

Lawrence T. Lowrey, President
Blue Mountain College

Bern Protestants See New Law Restricting Church Freedom

Geneva—(By wireless to RNS)—Protestant circles in the Bern canton have made strong protests against a new church law on the ground that it authorizes the state to interfere with the internal administration of Protestant churches.

The new law, according to critics, reserves to the state the sole power of appointing theological professors to train pastors, contrary to the wish of the synod that these appointments be made on recommendation of the church. It also denies the right of foreigners to cast ecclesiastical votes, while enforcing the eligibility of women to vote.

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Bay St. Louis Calls Full Time Pastor



REV. JOHN T. DEARING, JR.

Rev. John T. Dearing, Jr., new pastor of the First Baptist Church, Bay St. Louis, which now has service every Sunday, preached his first sermon as pastor of the church on Sunday, June 3, with the subject, "The Faith That Preserves." Representatives from the Methodist and Episcopal churches, and from the city government participated in the program, giving words of welcome and congratulation to the new pastor and to the church for launching out into full time work.

The new pastor is a native of Pine Bluff, Arkansas, where he completed high school. He entered Ouachita Baptist College at Arkadelphia as a pre-law student. The call to the ministry came during the summer between freshman and sophomore years. He continued then, as a ministerial student, receiving his A. B. degree.

At Balton, Arkansas, in 1939 he became pastor, after being ordained in his home church, First Baptist, in Pine Bluff.

He was pastor in Biscoe, Wright, and Yorktown, Ark.

Entering the Baptist Bible Institute, New Orleans, in 1943 he was called to the Baptist church, Norco, La., where he has served as pastor until his call to the church in Bay St. Louis. The Bay St. Louis church has a building program under way, which plans for a bigger, better, and more active church program in the near future. He and Mrs. Dearing and their two-year-old son are at home at 112 Court street, Bay St. Louis.

Mississippi Baptists everywhere are congratulating this coast group on its progressive step.

J. R. EUBANKS
MISSION BECOMES CHURCH

Calvary church of Greenville, which began as a mission Sunday school of Second church, with an enrollment of 67, is rejoicing over the fine progress in their work. The work was sponsored by Pastor J. R. Eubanks and workers of the Second church. They first met in a garage. During the VBS and revival season the attendance reached 200.

Rev. J. W. Sturdivant of Merigold led in the revival and Pastor Eubanks helped in the organization of the church which took place under a large cottonwood tree. Services were held there from June until December and only once were they rained out.

The new building, which is 30 by 48 feet, will become the educational plant when the time comes to build an auditorium. This will make a "T" shaped building. State Evangelist E. D. Estes helped in the revival in the new building, and Sunday School Secretary E. C. Williams assisted in a study course.

From the first this church has had the **EVERY FAMILY Plan of The Baptist Record**. This church, growing out of Second Baptist leadership, may be termed a "second mile" in state missions, since the "mother church" was helped \$50 per month during the early days of its life. In May 1944 the plant of Second church was dedicated free of debt.

Generous aid from a family made possible the purchase of the lot on which the new church was erected. A Jewish friend also made a worthy contribution to the work. Other friends donated paint and labor. Such experiences indicate the fine spirit of the new group and Pastor Eubanks and his people rejoice in God's blessing upon them.

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Albany, N. Y.—(RNS)—The New York State Council of Churches has protested to President Truman against the policy of the OWI "which denies permits to conferences and camps for the building of Christian character under the auspices of the church, while allowing unlimited travel for those attending recreational camps and horse races."

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Answers Last Puzzle

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MISS EMILY GREENWAY

of Silver Creek has assumed a three fold task at Louisville Baptist Church, Training Union director, leader of Young People's Organizations of the W. M. U. director of Young People's recreational activities. A native of Silver Creek, Miss Greenway is an honor graduate of Hillman College, where she served in various places as a student leader. She is an A. B. graduate of Mississippi College. Since graduation she has taught at Belzoni and Brookhaven.

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Many boys and girls of the orphanage are enjoying summer vacations with relatives and friends. Some 14 new boys and girls have been admitted to the Orphanage during the month of June. Remember the expenses of the orphanage continue the year round, in the summer as well as in the winter season. "Neg-

Know Your Bible Answers

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1. (Price difference on today's and Bible sandals): Sandals in Bible times were made of the cheapest materials obtainable, and would not stand up in our present day heavy demands. The Hebrew sandal had a sole and a thong tied over the foot, and were worn only during business away from home.

2. ("Onycha," pronounced "onika," and uses): This substance, mixed with sundry sweet spices was used in the preparation of the holy incense. It is thought to be the hard operculum found on shellfish, which being first roasted and then ground to a powder (Exodus 30:34 to 38) explains the Lord's use of same.

3. (Taxes in Biblical times): The Jews paid "tribute," which means taxes. The first, was the Temple tax, or the half shekel, which was the amount of coin Peter took from the mouth of the fish. The second tax, or "tribute" was called the civil tax, exacted by the Roman authorities. It was paid in Roman currency, which bore Caesar's image and superscription. (Thanks for our present taxing.)

4. (Honors to the new moon): This was called the "Festival of the New Moon," and while we have no definite information among the local sanctuaries in the earlier periods of Israel's national history, we do find in the Bible that the Israelites conducted what might be called the "festival" as mentioned herein. (I base my statement on Numbers 10:10.)

lect not the gift that is within thee." Share with others as the Lord continues to bless you.

Board Will Build Negro Seminary Building

Appropriation by the Home Mission Board of \$60,000 for the erection of a recitation hall for the American Baptist Theological Seminary in Nashville has been announced by Dr. J. B. Lawrence, executive secretary-treasurer.

A seminary for Negro Baptist ministers, the Nashville institution is operated by a joint commission from the Southern Baptist Convention and the National Baptist Convention, Inc. (Negro). Dr. E. P. Alldredge of Nashville is chairman of the commission.

Now over thirty years old, the seminary has one building and total assets of around \$125,000. A campaign to secure funds for two other buildings is being conducted.

Election of Rev. Loyd Corder of San Antonio to succeed the late J. L. Moye as superintendent of Spanish mission work was announced by Dr. Lawrence.

Ten new missionaries have been elected by the Board, according to Dr. Lawrence.

Two city mission superintendents have been transferred to rural work.

An evangelistic radio program will be inaugurated in co-operation with the Southern Baptist radio committee. An appropriation of \$10,000 was made for this purpose. The program will be in addition to two Sunday broadcasts over KWBU of Corpus Christi.

Offerings to Home Missions in May were up 40%. A total of \$338,805.88 has been received, compared with \$241,024.88 in the same month last year. May receipts included \$221,081.17 of the Annie Armstrong offering made by the Woman's Missionary Union, the total from this source for

five months amounting to \$408,848.81.

In 1945 the Board has received \$861,769.47. This is a 22% increase over the \$701,728.70 received in the same period last year.

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A CHAPLAIN WRITES FROM CHINA

For a long time I have intended to drop you a line thanking you for various editorials, etc., in the Record, now I shall do it.

Words are difficult to find which effectively express the pride and joy I feel in the marvelous work our Baptist people in Mississippi are doing. I am so glad that I am a part of that work.

Though I have been in the chaplaincy for three years I still feel a powerful tug of heart and interest in everything that goes on in Mississippi. The Record is the most welcome bit of news that comes my way. When I begin to drink in hungrily the news I seem to feel that I am right in the midst of it. Truly, it is a welcome and good feeling.

It will probably please you to know now in China. Have been tremendously interested in our missionary work—especially here in China. Am taking movies of all places of interest.

It will probably please you to know that for the month of May our men in this camp gave five hundred American dollars to the work of our non-Catholic missionaries, and that was given without any speech or suggestion or requesting.

Dr. Goodrich, I feel so happy and proud of our activities in Mississippi that I just had to thank someone. And you seem to be the tie, the cord, the one who holds the switch between what I have read and what goes on.

Again I want to thank you.

In His service,
LESTER E. BURNETTE,
Chaplain (Capt.),
Unit Chaplain.

SOUTHERN BAPTISTS FACE GREAT BUILDING PROGRAM

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is far better to plan church buildings by units and complete one unit at a time on the cash basis than it is to undertake the larger building on borrowed money and leave a burdensome debt.

The planning period is the most important time of the entire building program. Decisions should not be hurriedly made. If the majority of churches took longer to plan their buildings, we would not have some of the glaring and unpardonable mistakes which we now have. Complete surveys as to church needs, growth, and entire program should be carefully made by efficient groups and studied by the entire church. Denominational and other experienced counsel should be sought as the building program is studied. The Baptist Sunday School Board is ready to help through its Department of Church Architecture.

Every effort should be made to acquire sufficient land for the buildings. It is alarming to note the number of churches which start out with a very small lot and later find it impossible to acquire the additional needed property.

No church building should be undertaken without the services of the best professional architect. After denominational agencies and others experienced in church buildings have been consulted, and even after the over-all plans have been worked out, the church will need the services of a professional architect for designs, construction drawings, specifications, and for careful supervision of the entire building process. Only the most experienced professional architect can make the wise decisions and choices necessary in erecting worthy church buildings.

The church building should provide a centrally located and easily accessible auditorium for worship and preaching. Every building will also provide for teaching and training. Christian fellowship and recreation should be planned for. The better designed church buildings of the future will plan for the church music program, the library, and visual education. The building should provide a well located study and sufficient office space for the church staff.

The nursery department should have a suite of several rooms. We have never adequately provided for the children from the tiniest babies through three years of age. Again, every church building should provide for the large unenlisted adult constituency. These adults should be in our Sunday schools, in our Training Unions, and men's and women's programs, fellowship activities, and every other phase of church life.

A careful study should be made of the new mechanical, decorative, and lighting materials and equipment which have constantly been improved. Our educational buildings can afford to make larger use of windows. The elementary departments can have large low windows. Other rooms may make larger use of glass. The church building should take advantage of the discoveries for heating and air conditioning of buildings. It is just as necessary for a building to be comfortable in the summer time as it is in the winter time. All of these new materials are available, and will be included by the best architects. Our church buildings should not be second to any other new buildings following the war. They should include our entire program and contribute toward the greater program during the second century of our history.

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Chicago—(RNS)—A World Mission Crusade, to begin next October and end in April, 1947, and with \$14,000,000 as its goal, was voted unanimously by the committee on finance of the Northern Baptist Convention and approved by the Convention's general council in session here.



OPAL CUMMINGS

Church secretary at West Point. Miss Opal Cummings, of Ruleville, began work as church secretary of the First Baptist Church, West Point on June first. Miss Cummings was an outstanding student at Ruleville High school.

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Magnolia Blossoms Promised

By Blue Munday

Even Mississippi Baptist students have their wash days. You may call me Blue Munday because I have mine too. We even have a Baptist College in Arkansas pronounced Wash-toe!! It's spelled with an OUCH! Maybe his toe was sore when he washed it!

A State BSU Secretary . . .

Must be Frank; Leavell Headed and in Mississippi, should be cut out on the McCall pattern. . . .

—In Nashville, visiting the South-wide student work . . . stayed in a hotel named in honor of a sixteen-year-old Confederate soldier lad, Sam Davis, who refusing to give information of his confederates said to the Union army officials—"I had rather die a thousand deaths than to betray a friend." To the 140,000 Baptist students of the South—5,000 in Mississippi—Christ is that friend and in our formidable college days we shall not betray Him. . . .

This Week in the Record

You will find a bouquet to Miss Marian Leavell, written by Chester Swor—next week a bouquet to Chester written by one of his greatest admirers—B Seeing U, Riley Munday.

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Chaplain George Ritchey writes from along the Ledo road, Assom, India, requesting that The Baptist Record be sent to him. Friends will remember him as a graduate of Mississippi College, class of '30, and a Ph.D. graduate of the Louisville Seminary, '35. During his student days he was pastor at Friar's Point and Duncan.

Dr. William Potter, Carthage pastor, suggests that pastors urge their senators to vote against the bill recently introduced which would extend the present social security act to include ALL persons gainfully employed.

Other B. T. U's in Mississippi could profit from the example of the Houlka union. Mrs. John Collums writes: "Our B. T. U. wishes to pay for one year's subscription to Mr. and Mrs. ——."

The VBS of Boyle church opened June 11 with 67 pupils and 14 workers. Pastor C. C. Carroway served as principal of the school. The mission offering amounted to \$25.



Brotherhood Department

J. H. Street, Secretary

Slogan

The present slogan of the Baptist Brotherhood of the South is: "A MILLION MEN FOR CHRIST." This slogan was adopted when it was estimated that the men in Southern Baptist churches numbered approximately one million. The expression contemplates the "intense and prayerful effort to enlist these MILLION MEN, members of Southern Baptist churches, in practical Christian service." This slogan will necessarily have to be revised as the number of members of our churches increases; or it will have to be rephrased so as to make clear its meaning, which is, "EVERY MAN IN ALL OUR CHURCHES ENLISTED FOR CHRIST."

Aims and Objectives

The Baptist Brotherhood of the South lists the following ten points of policy:

1. Loyalty to our pastor.
2. Cooperation with every denominational agency.
3. Cooperation with every department and organization of the church.
4. A greater emphasis upon personal evangelism.
5. Increased circulation of our denominational papers.
6. Tithes brought weekly into the storehouse, and offerings in addition, especially in emergencies.
7. Progressive advance in church budgets.
8. Fifty-fifty division of all receipts as ideal.
10. Proclamation of the gospel to the uttermost part of the earth.

Flexible Program

The methods and activities of the Brotherhood are to have the widest possible freedom, so long as they contribute to the attainment of the basic purpose of the Brotherhood. A constitution and by-laws are recommended by the Baptist Brotherhood of the South; and a suggested constitution and by-laws are carried in the pamphlet "Organizing and Operating a Brotherhood," which may be obtained free from the state Brotherhood office upon request. But no standard of excellence is now provided; and none is planned. The effort of the promotional leaders is to make clear the purpose of the organization, to suggest a variety of successful methods used in other places, and then to encourage the pastor and local leaders to frame their own program and methods to suit their own situation, membership, and needs.

The Baptist Brotherhood of the South strongly recommends the weekly meeting; but it leaves to the local church the determination of the best time of meeting. Some Brotherhoods meet monthly; some meet twice monthly; nearly all meet weekly. The main factor, however, in a successful Brotherhood is the activities, general and special, that are carried on by the men.

A journal, or quarterly, is prepared and distributed for the use of the Brotherhood. It is written especially for men; and its materials are condensed and simplified. Material is provided for a program for each week; but the use of the JOURNAL, and even the presentation of a program, is optional with each Brotherhood. Certainly the members of

any Brotherhood should receive the JOURNAL; and most organizations use its materials for weekly programs with the greatest profit; but some Brotherhoods have special speakers and other types of programs in their meetings. (The JOURNAL is to be ordered from the Baptist Brotherhood of the South, Commerce Title Building, Memphis 3, Tennessee.)

The number and types of committees are left to the local workers. Among those suggested are: worship committee, educational committee, finance committee, evangelistic committee, extension committee, benevolence committee, executive committee. Needs vary in different localities; and committees are to be adapted to each local field.

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"In the Land Where Jesus Lived" by Elizabeth Rathmell brings the Land where Jesus lived as close as your neighboring town. The book contains descriptions of the homes and hills of Nazareth, "Garden of the Lord" . . . stories whose backgrounds are the Sea of Galilee, the River Jordan, the Dead Sea. Though written primarily for Junior boys and girls, the stories are a valuable contribution to adult study of the Bible. The book is paper bound and contains 62 pages. The price is 35c. Order from the publisher, David C. Cook Publishing Company, Elgin, Illinois, or from the Baptist Book Store.

The commencement exercises for the summer school at Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, Texas, will be held Thursday evening, July 12, in Cowden Hall Chapel. The commencement address will be delivered by Dean J. Wesley Smith of East Texas Baptist College, Marshall, Texas, and the class address by Rev. Vester E. Wolber of Oildale, California, who is a candidate for the Th.M. degree. Rev. Wolbert attended the University of Arkansas and is a graduate of Ouachita College, Arkadelphia, Arkansas.

Mexico City—(By Wireless)—The native pastor of a Pentecostal church, his wife, and a member of the congregation, are reported here to have been killed when an armed mob dynamited their homes in the village of Santiago Yehua, near Toluca, capital town of Mexico state. As an outcome of the attack, twenty Protestant families are said to have fled to the mountains and are still in hiding. Protestant officials have wired a protest to President Avila Camacho.

A painting of rare historic value to the Baptist denomination of the world is owned by the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky. It is a life-sized portrait of Charles H. Spurgeon, the late English minister, painted while he was pastor of Spurgeon Tabernacle, London, and presented by his board of deacons to his warm personal friend and contemporary, Dwight L. Moody, the great American evangelist. According to Dr. Leo T. Crismon, associate librarian, the portrait was presented to the seminary several years ago by a son of the late Mr. Moody, but has not been on exhibit for some time. It is being re-framed this summer and will be placed in one of the rooms of Norton hall by the opening of the next session of the seminary, in September.